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WORK BEGINS ON 1,600 HOMES PLAN

Blackwall Reach will also improve transport and community facilities

BY EMILY BLACKSHAW

ONE of Tower Hamlets' most ambitious regeneration schemes reached a new milestone last week as demolition works began.

Bringing nearly 1,600 new homes to Poplar – of which up to 698 will be affordable – the Blackwall Reach Regeneration Programme aims to transform the local area and have a lasting, positive impact on the lives of thousands of residents.

It has also just been listed as the 50th largest regeneration scheme in the country by Planning magazine.

In addition to delivering much-needed new homes, the scheme will transform public areas on the existing Robin Hood Gardens estate, provide better transport links, improve community facilities by funding an expanded primary school and create jobs and training.

The demolition works, which began on April 18, will kick-start the project by clearing land north of Woolmore Street, between Robin Hood Lane and Cotton Street, and to the north east of Bullivant Street.

Led by the council in partnership with the Greater London Authority, Swan Housing Association and Countryside Properties, phase 1a of the project will deliver:

- 98 new homes for residents living in properties due to be demolished in future phases;
- a new community centre, facilities and housing office;
- a public square and improved public spaces.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "Housing is one of my top priorities and the regeneration of Blackwall Reach will bring life-changing improvements to hundreds of families.

"The demolition works mark a huge milestone in this development."

Cllr Rabina Khan, cabinet member for housing, said: "After months of planning and work with partners, it's fantastic to see the first part of this project taking shape.

"The scheme will mean an increase in affordable, family homes on the existing estate, in addition to new and replacement homes for council tenants and home owners living in the Robin Hood Gardens area."

Outline planning permission was granted for the scheme in March 2012, and a subsequent detailed application for phase 1a, submitted by Swan, was approved in December 2012.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman with partners from Swan Housing, Countryside Properties and the GLA

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From crispy cakes to green fingers

If kitchen capers aren't your thing, get your hands dirty at the gardening club for 5- to 11-year-olds, which is held every Friday from 3.30pm-4.30m at the Children's Play Park in Mile End Park.

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Bridget, 8, and Lennie, 7, make chocolate crispy cakes

Park ranger Paul and four-year-old Bushra get baking

Cocoa kids have their cake and eat it!

BY SHALINA HUSSAIN

BAKING novices were shown how to make tasty muffins, cupcakes and delicious frosting to decorate their creations at the Children's Play Park in Mile End Park.

More than 80 children aged five to 11 took part in a free baking class last Saturday, April 13.

Part of the council's free fortnight of holiday events, children had fun making chocolate chip muffins and rice crispy cakes.

Eight-year-old Eamon said: "I really found it exciting as I have never made chocolate cakes before."

Imad, aged 6, added: "I really enjoyed making my cake and can't wait to do it again."

Mum Leizid Peconli, 44, said: "The park is always offering great activities for children and staff are really friendly. We really enjoyed our afternoon."

To find out more about activities at Mile End Park call 7093 2253 or visit **www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parks**

(Above) Ten-year-old Daniel and Aaron, 6, enjoy a homemade chocolate biscuit
(Right) Imad, 6, mixes up a cake

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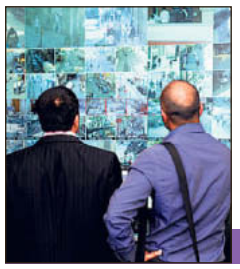

Using CCTV to tackle crime

"This is just another example of how our CCTV operators are doing an excellent job providing vital evidence to the police. The council has been making effective use of CCTV to tackle crime."

MAYOR LUTFUR RAHMAN

By George!

St-George in the East Church is hosting a St George's Day garden party this Tuesday, April 23.

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Duke visits St Paul's Way to see transformation in action

BY IAN READ

THE Duke of York visited St Paul's Way Trust School to congratulate students and staff on the school's progress.

The Duke was told the story of the St Paul's Way Transformation Project by its chairman Lord Mawson and other representatives from the project's partner organisations, including Catlin, JP Morgan, the Diocese of London and Poplar HARCA.

The rebuilding of the school was the first part of the transformation and was financed from Building Schools for the Future and local authority funding. The school has been in its £40 million building since January 2011 and its academic performance has improved dramatically. It is among the 12 most improved schools in the UK.

"It was a great honour to welcome His Royal Highness to our school," headteacher Grahame Price told East End Life.

"The Duke of York was very complimentary about all that we have achieved at the school and was particularly interested in our innovative science curriculum which prepares students for a very wide range of science related degrees and employment opportunities. It was an immensely proud day for students and everybody associated with the school."

The Duke joins in a science lesson

The Duke meets Head Girl Shanice Cameron Richards

Lord Mawson said: "It's really exciting for the children and they have done so well. In the light of the serious improvements that have gone on in the school, which is what this has been all about, this is a sign of recognition that they have turned this situation around."

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "This visit by the Duke of York is a ringing endorsement of the overwhelming success story of the St Paul's Way Transformation Project.

"This impressive project shows just what can be achieved by local organisations working together and I hope more areas will follow the lead of Tower Hamlets."

Other elements of the project planned include 470 new homes, a new community centre and new health centre, which will include the St Paul's Way Trust School DNA Research Centre.

Lord Mawson said that the Duke was particularly interested in how, in the modern world, a school could not exist in isolation and how the project included housing, business partners and a focus on health.

Popular television science presenter Professor Brian Cox is a patron of the school and is planning a second science summer school this year.

Jail for cash machine con on pensioner

FRAUDSTERS who targeted a pensioner in a scam at a cash machine in Bethnal Green have been jailed after being caught on CCTV camera.

Shahbaz Khan, 33, Feroz Khan, 31, and Adam Khan, 33, had jammed a cash machine in Roman Road, on February 4 last year, so bank cards would get stuck.

They watched as a 79-year-old victim tried to use the machine and saw him enter his PIN number.

Feroz Khan then engaged in conversation with the man and pretended to help him get the card out when in fact he was making sure the card stayed in the machine.

The victim left and Adam Khan then removed the jamming device and the bank card. All three got into their cars and drove off – but their registration numbers were captured on CCTV.

(From left) Adam Khan, Feroz Khan and Shahbaz Khan

They were later arrested and all three pleaded guilty to possession of an article for use in fraud, as well as a string of other offences carried out across London.

Investigating officer PC Helen Jarvest, of Limehouse police station, said: "This was a despicable crime committed against an elderly victim who thought he was being helped when in fact he was being tricked into becoming a victim of crime.

"Should your bank card get stuck in a cash machine, be wary of people who may pretend to help you and certainly make sure nobody is close enough to see you type in your PIN number."

Deputy mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed added: "In 2012, the police made 120 arrests for robbery, three arrests for attempted murder and 30 burglars were caught red handed thanks to the excellent partnership between the council and police."

Feroz Khan, of Tyndall Road, Leyton was jailed for 20 months and Shahbaz Khan, of Waltham Way, Chingford was jailed for 12 months at Blackfriars Crown Court on April 15.

Adam Khan, of Clissold Road, Stoke Newington, was given a 12-month sentence, suspended for a year.

News in brief

Residents unite for benefits campaign

CAMPAIGNERS against cuts in welfare benefits have formed a new group.

Twenty residents from the Tower Hamlets Benefits Justice campaign came together on April 15 at Collingwood tenants' hall in Bethnal Green.

They discussed the pressure many feel under to move out of their homes, the rising cost of rents and the threat to disability and council tax benefits.

Meetings will be held around Tower Hamlets, with a borough-wide meeting at St Margaret's House, Old Ford Road, Bethnal Green on Sunday, April 28 at 3pm.

Email **thbj@outlook.com** or call Maggie on 07984 606549.

Charity abseil

ADVENTUROUS residents are invited to take part in a 230ft charity abseil down 50 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, on May 11 and 12 from 8am until 5pm, to raise funds for disability charity Scope.

Training is provided but you must be over 18. There is a registration fee of £20 and participants need to pledge to raise a minimum of £250 sponsorship.

Call 7619 7154 or email **alanah.watts@scope.org.uk**

St George's party

RESIDENTS are invited to a mini garden party to celebrate St George's Day this Tuesday, April 23.

The party at St George in the East Church in Cannon Street Road, Shadwell will include games, refreshments, entertainment and a service.

Celebrations start at 3.30pm. Call 7481 1345.

Satisfied patients

A PRIVATE hospital in Stepney has been awarded an overall satisfaction score of 99 per cent by its patients.

The score was based on a survey of BMI London Independent Hospital patients during the period of January 1 to December 31 last year.

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The Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School for 4-18 years

The Docklands, Hackney, North London and Bethnal Green branches of the award-winning Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School are taking applications for next term and Taster Days.

The school originally opened in Hackney in 2001 and now has over 250 students aged 4-18, many of whom have gone on to secure professional work on TV, Film and in theatre. Examples include Charlie Jones and Belinda Owusu, who played Ben Mitchell and Libby Fox in EastEnders and Tahj Miles who currently plays Simba in the West End's The Lion King.

As well as providing professional training, the aim of the school is to also provide a safe and supportive environment for all children to explore their creativity regardless of what career path they eventually choose to follow.

Every week students follow a timetable of drama/film, dance and singing under the guidance of top industry professionals. As well as weekly classes, students are given the opportunity to take part in Voice Idol, Drama and Stars in their Eyes competitions, culminating in a yearly Oscar Night.

The school has recruited some excellent teaching staff including: Mike Burnside (actor in The Bill, Bergerac, the RSC), Mark Short (choreograher to Tina Turner, Peter Andre, Liberty X), Michael Buffong (directorof EastEnders, Holby City, Casualty and Coronation Street), Jacob Murray (former associate artisitc director of the Royal Exchange Manchester and teacher for National Theatre's educational Department) and Jay Henry (X-Factor coach and voice coach having worked with Craig David, Mariah Carey and George Michael to name but a few). Celebrities such as Joseph Marcell (Jeffery in Fresh Prince of Bel Air) and Dani Harmer (Tracey Beaker), have also been amongst special guests to give master classes at this prestigious school.

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Find out about disability sports

The London Legacy Development Corporation will shortly be launching its Motivate East website, which will provide details of disability sports events – register for updates at...

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An inspiration

"I really enjoyed coming along and hopefully inspired a future Paralympian to try disability sport."

JODY CUNDY

School admissions success

93% primary age children accepted by one of their parent's top three choices

BY MEHREEN HUSSAIN

NINETY THREE per cent of Tower Hamlets children starting primary school in September will be going to one of their parents' top three school choices in the borough.

Of the 3,300 applications received under the Pan-London Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme, 84 per cent of families secured a place at their first choice school.

The percentage of successful first choices puts Tower Hamlets above the London average for the third year running.

The admissions system is used to co-ordinate the allocation of places across London.

This has led to a fairer distribution of available offers and resulted in more parents getting an offer from one of their chosen schools at the earliest stage.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "I am delighted that so many families have been able to secure a place at one of their top choice schools in the borough, and that the vast majority have secured a place at a local school.

"This system aims to provide as many families as possible with access to a local school place. There is a national need for more school places and we are working hard to ensure there are places for all our children to have access to high-quality education."

Cllr Oliur Rahman, cabinet member for children's services, said: "The results in Tower Hamlets are extremely positive.

"The council continues to work to address the need for more primary school places.

"We have already created an additional 2,000 places in the past two years and further plans are being worked on to ensure that as many children as possible can go to a local school."

Families living in London now fill in a single application form, even if they are applying to schools in more than one borough, listing up to six schools in order of preference.

The local authority then considers the application without reference to the order listed by the parents and each child is considered separately for each school using the school's admission criteria.

If it proves possible to offer a place at more than one school, a place is then offered at the school the family has ranked higher on their application.

Families who have not received an offer at one of their chosen schools have been asked to pick from those with available places, and will be advised of the outcome in June.

PARALYMPIANS Jody Cundy and Danny Crates (pictured left) joined more than 100 people trying out a range of bicycles for disabled people. The All Ride session was organised by the London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC). Jody, a Team GB cyclist who won bronze in last year's Games, said: "Following the amazing success of the 2012 Paralympics it is great to see opportunities for disabled people living in east London to take up disability sport." Tower Hamlets resident Barbara Albert, who took part in the session on April 6, said: "It was a fantastic day and very friendly." All Ride is funded by the LLDC and run with local social enterprise Bikeworks.

Mela will celebrate music and culture

THE 15th annual Boishakhi Mela will take place on Sunday, May 12, at its new location – Victoria Park.

The Boishakhi Mela Community Trust is organising the free event, which celebrates Bangladeshi music, arts and culture, supported by the council.

There will also be a funfair and a market selling crafts, jewellery, clothing and hot food.

To find out more about this free event visit **www.boishakhimela.org**

News in brief

Fire service meeting

RESIDENTS are being urged to attend a public meeting to have their say on the future of the capital's fire service.

The London Fire Brigade is holding open meetings across the city as part of the public consultation on its draft Fifth London Safety Plan, which outlines how it will continue to keep Londoners safe over the next three years.

Included in the plan are details of how the authority proposes to make savings worth £28.8 million, including closing 12 fire stations, removing 18 fire engines, relocating four fire engines and reducing the number of firefighter posts by 520.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 7 from 7-9pm at Skeel Lecture Theatre, People's Palace Building, Queen Mary University, Mile End Road.

Air partnership

LONDON'S Air Ambulance, based at the Royal London Hospital in Whitechapel, has joined forces with an international healthcare, medical assistance and security services company.

The partnership between International SOS and the air ambulance will focus on securing funding to sustain the life-saving services and support a number of planned enhancements being made by the charity.

Go and take a look

The SELF exhibition is on at the Mall Galleries, The Mall, SW1 from May 9-24. For more information, got to...

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For the artists, by the artists

In 1891, 24 artists, frustrated by the elitist attitude of the Royal Academy, formed a society devoted to portrait painting. Twenty years later this became the Royal Society of Portrait Painters.

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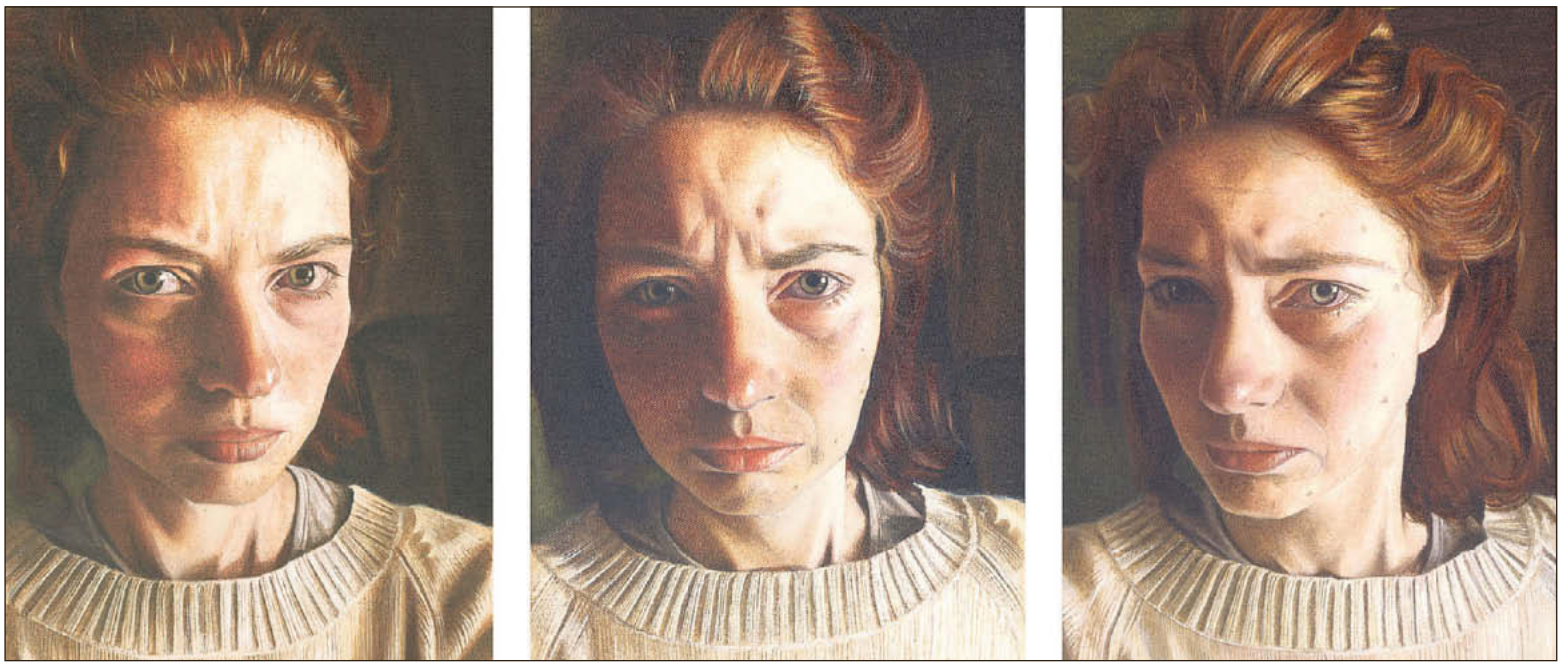
Stepney Green artist painted herself recovering from flu, as **Laraine Clay** reports.



The self-portrait triptych of Thea, which has been selected for the SELF exhibition and was also chosen for the 2011 BP Portrait Awards

Thea in the running in top self portrait competition

AN artist whose work has featured in one of the UK's top portrait competitions is hoping to win a £20,000 prize after being chosen to take part in a new exhibition.

Thea Penna, from Stepney Green, was one of 29 artists chosen from almost 1,000 for the Royal Society of Portrait Painters' new self-portraiture competition – SELF..

A working textile designer, Thea, 38, has had her work displayed in both the 2010 and 2011 BP Portrait Awards at the National Portrait Gallery in Trafalgar Square.

And the latest show will hang in the nearby Mall Galleries as part of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters' annual exhibition.

Thea lives with her artist husband Mark Paulding and their daughter Lila Pearl, five, in a small flat in Grantley Street, E1.

While Mark works in his studio in the converted cellar, Thea gets out her easel in the living room in the evenings after work.

She paints in acryclic on canvas and says her work is "quite tight", completed with neat, small strokes from tiny brushes, reflecting her background as a textile artist.

"It's not quite photo-realism but deliberately photographic," she said.

The portrait chosen for the SELF exhibition is a triptych of herself that was also chosen for the 2011 BP Portrait Awards – and Thea says she does not look her best.

"I had to do it really quickly and I had just got over the flu. As you can see from them, I felt so awful."

She has not done a lot of painting over the past year, but recently started on a new, more relaxed looking self-portrait.

Back in the 2010 BP awards, a portrait of her daughter, then aged two, was chosen and Thea says she aims to paint one of her each year as a record of her growing up.

And for her part, Lila seems to have inherited her parents' artistic genes: "She can't stop painting, she loves it," said Thea.

The youngster has recently started primary school where Thea says she is meeting lots of other creative mums and dads.

She said: "I love it around here. It's such a creative area, lots of artistic people and there's so much going on."

Thea and Mark met in Harlow, Essex where they were both brought up. They moved to London when he got a place to study fine art at Central St Martin's College.

Thea said: "I didn't want to live in London, but in actual fact I really love it. I love the East End," she said.

Speaking about the latest exhibition and the prize on offer, she said modestly: "I am sure I'm not the overall winner, as competition is so high, but it would be amazing. I'd love to take Lila on holiday."

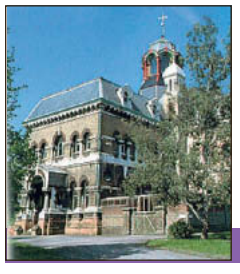
The exhibition is on at the Mall Galleries, The Mall, SW1 from May 9-24.

For more of Thea's work visit **www.theapenna.co.uk**

Thea at home with Lila Pearl

Below: Lila Pearl (2010) which was featured in the 2010 BP Portrait Awards

Billy Two Hats, a portrait of her husband, Mark Paulding, last year



Thames Tideway Tunnel

Starting in West London, the proposed 16-mile Thames Tideway Tunnel follows the route of the River Thames to Limehouse, where it continues to Abbey Mills Pumping Station, Stratford.

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Hot off the press

Adults with learning disabilities put their own newspaper together and then spoke about the experience.

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News

AN editorial team, who help produce their own free newspaper, hosted an open day where they talked about their work and experiences. The Core News team, who are all adults with a learning disability, invited guests including speaker of the council, Cllr Rajib Ahmed, pictured above with the team, to hear about the project, which began last year. Core News (which stands for Creating Opportunities for a Real Life Experience) is distributed through community organisations in Tower Hamlets. For further information visit www.facebook.com/COREProjects or email info@icmfoundation.org.uk

News in brief

Sign up now for business awards

SMALL and medium sized businesses are urged to take part in community activities, as applications for the Lord Mayor's Dragon Awards opened last week.

Roger Gifford, Lord Mayor of the City of London, is inviting applications for the awards, which have recognised excellence in corporate social responsibility for 25 years.

According to the City of London Corporation, small and medium enterprises (SMEs), which represent 99.8 per cent of all London's private sector businesses, make up only 20 per cent of award applicants.

This year, the corporation is aiming to double the number of SMEs applying for the awards and to inspire other smaller businesses to get involved in social responsibility activities.

Applications for the awards can be submitted at **www.dragonawards.org.uk** – the closing date is May 28.

Donation to help dementia victims

EAST London NHS Foundation Trust has donated £625 to support people with dementia, after staff from the Mental Health Centre for Older People (MHCOP) selected the Alzheimer's Society as their charity for the year.

Michael McGhee, services director for MHCOP, presented a cheque to Julian Lloyd, Alzheimer's Society locality manager at their offices in Old Montague Street, Spitalfields.

MHCOP staff chose Alzheimer's Society after they were asked to nominate a charity as part of an annual NHS staff survey.

For every questionaire that was completed, the trust donated £5 to a named local charity.

Alzheimer's Society is one of ten charities that has benefited from the total amount raised.

Passengers won't miss the boat

PASSENGERS travelling on the River Thames should never miss the boat again.

Transport for London has now introduced a real time boat arrival information service to all piers served by River Bus services.

Using the same technology as the iBus service, up-to-the-minute boat arrival information has been made available on screens at piers including Tower Hill, Canary Wharf and Masthouse Terrace and by texting the pier code, displayed at piers, to 87287.

Have your say on supersewer

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

RESIDENTS are being urged to register to be involved in the independent examination of plans for the Thames Tideway Tunnel.

Last month Thames Water was given the green light for its application for development consent for the 'supersewer' which proposes to help tackle the tens of millions of tonnes of untreated sewage flowing into the River Thames every year.

This means that the Planning Inspectorate has accepted that the consultation for the project covering 24 proposed construction sites – including King Edward Memorial Park in Wapping – was adequate.

Carl Dunsire, chairman of Save KEMP, which campaigned with the council to stop the park being used, said Thames Water had ignored "the overwhelming will of the community".

"While we support the cleaning up of the Thames, we strongly believe that Thames Water's plans for a major construction site in King Edward Memorial Park are unnecessary and will inflict untold damage and disruption on our community," he said.

"There is an acceptable alternative construction site on industrial land that Thames Water and independent experts confirm is viable in engineering terms and cost neutral."

He urged residents to register with the Planning Inspectorate and monitor the campaign's website at **www.saveKEMP.org.uk**

Anyone with views about the proposals has until May 28 to register with the inspectorate as an interested party.

Registering ensures involvement in the examination of the application. Parties will be able to present their views and attend meetings or hearings.

The preliminary meeting, expected to be held this September, will be an opportunity to influence how the application should be examined.

Phil Stride, head of Thames Tideway Tunnel at Thames Water, said: "It is very important that anyone with views about our application registers with the Planning Inspectorate. This is the only way they can be involved in the independent examination of our plans."

Representations must be made using the registration and relevant representation form, which is available at **http://infrastructure.planningportal.gov.uk/projects/london/thames-tideway-tunnel** or by telephoning 0303 444 5000.

A hard copy of the documentation is also available during the 42-day period at Shadwell Basin Outdoor Activity Centre, 3-4 Shadwell Pierhead, Glamis Road, E1W from 9am-5pm, Mon-Fri (excluding bank holidays).

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Watching the detectives...

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Some new IT and station changes

News from Tower Hamlets police

TOWER Hamlets police have had considerable success dealing with anti-social behaviour (ASB).

Having officers and PCSOs in the right place at the right time may seem too obvious to mention, but there is a science behind making accurate predictions of where to deploy staff to be most effective. We are about to be assisted in this task with a new system called AirSpace.

This is a clever IT package, written by police for police, to help Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) officers identify what issues there are in their wards. It gives key information so they can prioritise their work.

The system goes live in June and we are now being trained in how to use it.

One borough in London found the intelligence AirSpace produced so good that they managed to reduce ASB in certain locations by up to 30 per cent.

How does it work? It has many features, but one capability is to identify where multiple calls are made to an address or a geographical area, or where calls are made by the same person, such as a repeat victim.

Such information was available before, but needed someone to search for it, which took time. AirSpace will make it instantly available.

So, when a call is received in our control room, staff can tell straight away if this is part of an ongoing or developing problem and with a few clicks of a button see what the SNT is doing about it. This will mean officers are fully briefed before they arrive – and will help predict future problems which may need attention.

The police use several IT systems to identify a particular address or person suspected of criminal activity. Often this information is sufficient to justify immediate action. On other occasions the facts are put before a magistrate who may grant a search warrant.

On March 27, 14 warrants were executed. We made 11 arrests, seized over £4,000 and discovered a cannabis factory.

■ ON several occasions I have written about the introduction of the local policing model.

There was a public consultation in January, and last month, the Mayor of London's office announced revised opening times for police stations across London.

Many people agree it is better to have officers on the street, rather than waiting at a front counter at times when very few people use the facility.

In summary, Bethnal Green police station will remain open 24/7 and Limehouse and Brick Lane Police Stations will be open during the day. There will be four contact points: at Bow police station, Poplar police office, Isle of Dogs police station and St George's Town Hall, which will be open every Wednesday and Thursday from 7-8pm and every Saturday afternoon from 2-3pm.

One other important change will involve the SNTs. There will still be a dedicated team for each of the 17 wards in Tower Hamlets. Each ward will have more officers than before and will be grouped into four quadrants, each with their own Inspector.

We are reviewing the deployments of all our staff, uniform and CID. This is going to result in more officers being posted to the SNTs in line with the commissioner's aim of putting more staff on the front line.

These changes will come into effect about June. You can be assured they will not affect our ability to deliver an efficient 999 emergency service as response teams will be maintained.

To find out more, come to any of the regular public meetings or street briefings in every ward. Details can be found on the SNT pages at **www.met.police.uk/towerhamlets**

Chief Supt Dave Stringer, Borough Commander

Chemist rota

Pharmacists in Tower Hamlets with extended opening hours.

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ABC Drug Stores, 12-14 Montague Street: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, Sun 10am-2.30pm.
Beck & Sherman, 197 Whitechapel Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, bank holidays 11am-1pm.
Sainsbury's, The Albion Brewery: Mon-Fri 8.30am-10pm, Sat 7.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-5pm.
Chapel, 139 Cannon Street: Mon-Fri 9am-8pm, Sat 9am-6pm.

E2

Fairdale, 360 Bethnal Green Road: Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am-6.30pm, Thurs 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.
Florida, 307 Bethnal Green Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

E3

Bell, 534 Roman Road: Mon-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun 10am-2pm.
Forward, 648 Mile End Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun and bank holidays 10am-6pm.
Green Light, St Andrew's Health Centre, 2 Hannaford Walk: 8am-8pm, seven days a week, including bank holidays.
Lincoln, 60 St Paul's Way: Mon, Tues, Weds 8am-8pm, Thurs, Fri, 8am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm.
Tesco, Hancock Road: Mon 8am-10.30pm, Tues-Fri 6.30am-10.30pm, Sat 6.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

E14

Boots, Unit 15, Jubilee Place: Mon-Fri 7am-midnight, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 12pm-6pm.
Britannia (Perimart), Asda Precinct, East Ferry Road: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 11am-4pm, bank holidays 11am-6pm.

Doctors

Please ring your doctor's surgery for an appointment, but if it's the weekend or late at night, call 7377 7151 (only for people in Tower Hamlets who are registered with a doctor). To find a doctor, dentist or help to quit smoking call the health hotline on 7364 5016, Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 8am-4pm.

Advice

Family Information Service (FIS)
The Family Information Service provides information for people from birth to age 19 (or 25 for those with additional needs) including helping parents and carers find high quality childcare, advice on tax credits and childcare vouchers.
Open Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm
Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14
fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk
7364 6495

Tower Hamlets Home Birth Support Group
Last Thurs of each month, 8pm.
31 Ridgdale Street, E3.
8981 1159

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LinkAge Plus
Toynbee Hall is one of five network centres that co-ordinates services and activities provided.
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7392 2914
www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Free Advice
Benefits, housing, council tax and immigration. Bengali speakers, home visits to housebound in E14. Weds, 10.30am-12.30pm, Island House, Roserton Street, E14. Thurs, 1-3pm, Splash, Wigram House, Will Crooks Estate, Poplar High Street, E14.
7987 9379

Bangladesh Youth Movement
Advice on welfare, benefits, pensions, council tax, service charges, housing, homelessness, employment and training, immigration, nationality, education, health, family matters and domestic violence.
Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm, appointments for complex cases. 21-23 Henriques St, E1.
7488 1831/2

Debt advice

Account 3
1-9 Birkbeck Street, E2.
7739 7720
www.account3.org.uk

Limehouse Project
Cheadle Hall, Cheadle House Copenhagen Place, E14.
7538 0075
www.limehouse project

Bromley by Bow Centre
St Leonard's Street, E3.
8709 9737
www.bbbc.org.uk

Fair Money Advice
530 Commercial Road, E1.
7702 8032
www.fairfinance.org.uk

CAB – Citizens Advice Bureau
32 Greatorex Street, E1.
7247 1050
www.adviceguide.org.uk

Toynbee CAPITALISE Project
Toynbee Hall,
28 Commercial Street, E1.
7392 2953
www.capitalise.org.uk

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Roserton Street, E14.
7987 9379
www.island-advice.org.uk

Toynbee Hall Free Legal Advice Centre (evenings)
28 Commercial Street, E1.
Tuesdays, 7pm.
7247 6943
www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Island Advice Rights Shop (Bethnal Green)
296 Bethnal Green Road, E2.
7739 4173
www.island-advice.org.uk

Tower Hamlets Law Centre (specialist advice by appointment)
214 Whitechapel Road, E1.
7247 8998
www.thlc.co.uk

Legal Advice Centre
University House,
104 Roman Road E2.
8980 4205

Praxis (new residents service)
www.praxis.org.uk/

National Debt line
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www.nationaldebtline.co.uk

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Could you help keep up standards?

The council is seeking an independent person to advise on complaints about elected members' conduct, as part of a new standards regime established by the Localism Act 2011.

Magic moments...

Magic Me links young people aged 8+ and adults aged 60+ through shared creative activity.

WWW.MAGICME.CO.UK

Committee seeks independent advisor

APPLICATIONS are being invited for an independent person to sit on the council's standards advisory committee.

Responsible for developing the council's ethical framework, upholding high standards of conduct by the mayor and councillors, and monitoring the council Code of Conduct and local protocols, the committee and its sub-committees deal with any complaints about councillors' behaviour.

Its membership includes the statutory role of an "independent person" who must be consulted by the authority before it makes a finding as to whether a councillor has failed to comply with the Code of Conduct or decides on any action to be taken against a member as a result.

Barry O'Connor, who was independent chair of the council's former standards committee before changes were made in July 2012, has been undertaking the independent person role on a temporary basis pending the new appointment.

Mr O'Connor, who worked in commerce and since retirement has undertaken a range of regulatory roles, said: "I have enjoyed helping to shape this new position which is a crucial part of the council's revised ethical standards arrangements.

"The whole role is new and evolving and this is an exciting opportunity for the right person to become involved and help to develop it further for the benefit of the council and local people."

A modest fee is payable and applications are invited from men and women over the age of 18 and some knowledge of local government or other public bodies would be an advantage although not essential.

They may not be a current or recent employee or member of the council, or a relative or close friend of such a person, and they cannot have served on the committee in the previous five years.

A spokesman said: "The council is committed to operating with the highest ethical standards and integrity and the standards advisory committee is key to this.

"Most importantly we are looking for a person who can uphold the standards we wish to promote."

For an application pack contact John S Williams, Head of Democratic Services, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar E14 2BG on 7364 4204 or email **johns.williams@towerhamlets.gov.uk** or **lynne.spillett@towerhamlets.gov.uk**

The closing date for applications is Friday, April 26.

Brick Lane drug dealers jailed

BY STAFF REPORTER

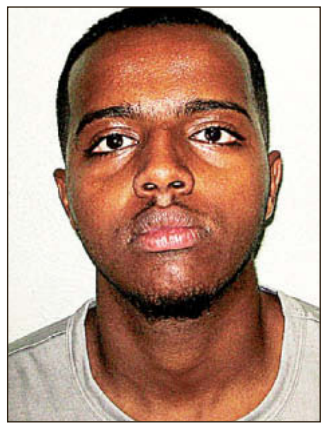
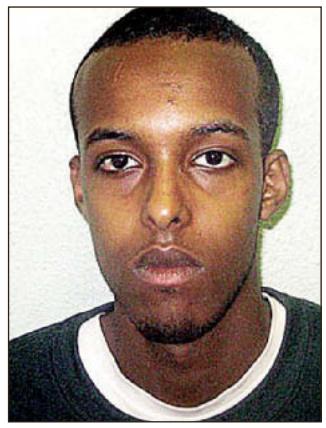
A GANG of drug dealers who targeted clubbers in Whitechapel and Brick Lane have been caught after a four-month operation by police and council officers.

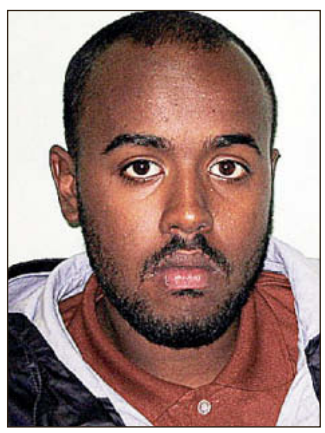
Six people were convicted for conspiracy to supply class A drugs and sentenced on April 16 at Snaresbrook Crown Court.

The council's CCTV officers had worked with the police as part of Operation Peyster to monitor youths dealing drugs in Burdett Road and outside a nightclub in Whitechapel Road from June to September last year.

Police officers noticed that on Friday and Saturday nights a group of men targeted customers attending the nightclub.

Substantial evidence was collected against the suspects culminating in the arrest of eight members of the group. Six were sentenced to terms in a youth offenders institute: Abdi Rahman Shireh, aged 20, of Harford Street, E1 was sentenced to three-and-a-half; Amine Sugule, 20, of Smythe Street, E14 and Usaama Ahmed, 19, of Bacon Street, E1 were each sentenced to two-and-a-half-years; Abdi Yusuf, 20, of Abbot Road, E14 was sentenced to two years; and Mohammed Jama, 19, of Knapp Road, E3 was sentenced to 15 months.



(Top, from left) Abdi Rahman Shireh, Abdi Yusuf and Amine Sugule

(Bottom, from left) Abdi Gulaid, Mohammed Jama and Usaama Ahmed

Previously gang member Abdi Gulaid, aged 20, of Saxon Road, E3 pleaded guilty to class A drug supply and was sentenced to one-and-a-half years.

The other two people arrested were juveniles and cannot be named for legal reasons.

Det Insp John Cracknell told East End Life: "This investigation is an excellent example of the impact the Metropolitan Police Service can have on organised criminal groups when different departments and other stakeholders work in partnership."

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "The council's CCTV officers have done an excellent job to reduce crime. Our officers' local knowledge proved to be vital in catching the criminals in Operation Peyster."

Gratitude to quick-thinking workman who put out blaze in flat

A QUICK-thinking workman prevented serious damage to a Mile End flat when he rushed inside to put out a kitchen fire.

Mariusz Bak was fitting new fire doors in the communal area of Ennerdale House in Hamlets Way last Thursday, April 18, when a woman ran out of her flat carrying a child, shouting "fire, fire".

Worried that there might be other children inside, the 47-year-old ran into the flat and switched off the mains gas before tackling the fire on the cooker which he said was caused by too much oil in the pan.

"There was a lot of smoke, the lady was very frightened," he said.

Graham Shaw, operations manager for Breyer Group which is carrying out the fire prevention work in the flats, said: "I have expressed Breyer's gratitude to Mariusz and commended him for his prompt and selfless actions."

News in brief

Tackling violence

A CONFERENCE looking at ways of tackling violence against women is being held in Whitechapel next month.

And the event will see the launch of the council's Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Plan which was published in January.

The VAWG conference on Wednesday, May 15, which is open to professionals and interested residents, will feature a range of speakers from the council, community sector groups, the police and other specialist organisations.

It will provide an opportunity for those who work in this area to find out about the plan and will also cater for other professionals wanting to learn about the borough's approach to tackling the issue.

The VAWG Plan consolidates work by the council and its key partners in addressing violence against women and girls and outlines the actions being taken to support survivors of all forms of gender-based violence.

The conference is being held at the Osmani Centre in White-chapel from 9.30am-4pm. It is free of charge, but attendance is by registration only - to register or for more information, call 7364 4380 or email **fiona.dwyer@towerhamlets.gov.uk**

Registration closes on May 1.

Magic Me for tea

A CHARITY, which has brought women between the ages of 15 and 85 together as part of a project exploring the lives of others who have made a difference, is inviting residents to a live performance and tea party.

Magic Me worked with theatre producer Sue Mayo and designer Polly Beestone to create a production featuring women from the history books as well as stories from their own lives and those of family and friends.

The group will be staging a performance on Wednesday, May 1 from 5-7pm at the Kobi Nazrul Centre, 30 Hanbury Street, Spitalfields.

Places are limited. To attend, call 3222 6064.

Not just for the boys

The council runs free coaching sessions for girls aged 7-11 at Whitechapel Sports Centre. To find out more, call...

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Platform for young talent

"I am pleased so many of our young people took part and watched the matches. Football is a fantastic way for us to bring young people together and a platform to showcase their talent."

MAYOR LUTFUR RAHMAN

News

Tigers roar...

Football fans enjoyed a fantastic day of action with not one but nine nail-biting matches at the Mayor's Cup finals. **Shalina Hussain** reports. Photos by **Rich Harley**.

MORE than 2,000 spectators cheered on their teams during the heat stages and on finals day of the annual Mayor's Cup at Mile End Park Stadium, boosted by some glorious weather.

Now in its third year, the cup has become something of a highlight for many of the borough's clubs.

In line with its ethos to provide support for young people and raise participation in sports, the council introduced the prestigious event to give footballers a platform to showcase their talent.

This year, the tournament, organised by the council's sports development team in partnership with local football clubs, businesses and voluntary organisations, attracted more than 950 players with 63 teams taking part.

Heat stages were held over three days at Victoria Park and Mile End AstroTurf pitches.

On finals day **Vallance FC** won a staggering four categories; under nines, under-11s, under-14s and under-16s.

Based in Whitechapel, the sports club has a strong sporting tradition catering for both football and cricket.

The club now run the Vallance Youth Academy, which consists of eight teams.

In the under-8/9s final, **Vallance** finally triumphed over **Westward Boys** in a nail-biting penalty shoot-out after both teams gave brave performances in normal time. Vallance won 4-3 on penalties.

In the under-10's match, **Westward Boys'** Darren Kagona, who sored 17 goals in the tournament, found the net twice. **Bromley-By-Bow** fought hard, but could not prevent Westward running out convincing 4-1 winners.

The under-11s match was another titanic battle between local rivals **Vallance** and **Osmani FC.** Level pegging at full time, the match was decided on penalties with Vallance holding their nerve to score three goals to Osmani's two.

SOUL completely dominated the under-12s final against **Somers Town Future** and deservedly won against their opponents from Camden, who impressed in the heat stages.

In the under-14s match **Somers Town Future** were outplayed by **Vallance,** who attacked relentlessly. Vallance used the wings to good effect and clinical shooting saw them cruise to a 3-0 win.

The under-16s, produced a high-scoring final produced packed with exciting football and a number of mistakes, which led to **Vallance** gaining their fourth trophy to complete an outstanding competition.

Vallance won the under-8s/9s cup

Roll of Honour

U-8/9s winners – Vallance FC
Vallance FC 1 Westward Boys 1
(Vallance won 4-3 on penalties)
U-10s winners – Westward Boys
Westward Boys 4 Bromley By Bow 1
U-11s winners – Vallance FC
Osmani 1 Vallance FC 1
(Vallance won 3-2 on penalties)
U-12s winners – SOUL
SOUL 3 Somers Town Future 0
U-14s winners – Vallance FC
Somers Town Future 0 Vallance FC 3
U-16s winners – Vallance
Somers Town Future 2 Vallance 4
U-18s winners – Bethnal Green Utd
Bethnal Green Utd 0 Bromley-By-Bow 0
(Bethnal Green Utd won 5-3 on penalties)
Seniors winners – London Tigers
Bromley By Bow 0 London Tigers 1
Female winners – Tower Hamlets Women
Tower Hamlets Women 1 KIKK Talang 0

Bromley-By-Bow, in blue, tackle Bethnal Green in the under-18s final

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Sporting choice

Vallance FC, based in Whitechapel, now run a youth academy which consists of eight sports.

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while Vallance kids shine

Vallance under-11s show off their trophy

SOUL under-12s, who beat Somers Town Future 3-0

Vallance scored four goals to **Somers Town Future's** two.

The under 18s' final was also decided by a penalty shoot-out.

Bethnal Green Utd were victorious after a close encounter in normal time against **Bromley-By-Bow** when both teams squandered chances. Bethnal Green Utd won 5-3 on penalties

Tower Hamlets Women put on a strong performance to be the first winners of the female section of the competition, beating **KIKK Talang** 1-0.

London Tigers and **Bromley-by-Bow** battled it out to be the senior champions in the final match.

Tigers, from west London, proved just too strong on the day, clinching the match 1-0.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "The tournament was a resounding success and I am pleased so many of our young people took part and watched the matches.

"Football is a fantastic way for us to bring young people together and a platform to showcase their talent."

Cllr Oliur Rahman, cabinet member for children's services, added: "The finals day was very exciting with so many good teams competing.

"I am thrilled with the continued success of the tournament and would like to thank everyone involved in the Mayor's Cup.

"I look forward to next year's competition being even better!"

Kikk Talang in yellow lost out out to Tower Hamlets Women's FC

A Vallance under-16 player on the attack

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A church for a saint and a king

"The church was dedicated to St George as a delicate compliment to the King [George II], and the new parish thereby became designated that of St George, Middlesex."

SYDNEY MADDOCKS

Got a story to tell?

If you have a tale about East End history, write to John Rennie or email him at **johnrennie@gmail.com**

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History

Patron saint was a global citizen

BY JOHN RENNIE

IT'S a date that had fallen off the calendar until recent years. While the Irish proudly paint the town green and sink countless pints of stout to celebrate St Patrick, the Welsh hoist leeks and daffodils aloft to remember St David, and the Scots even get a Bank Holiday for St Andrew, St George has been pushed to one side, with flag and saint unfairly associated with the far right and beery English football fans on tour.

Things seem to be changing though. Perhaps it's to do with a reassertion of Englishness as the United Kingdom seems to be fragmenting into its national elements.

Where once the Union Jack would have flown, we now frequently see the Cross of St George, with the Prime Minister even flying it above his official residence during Euro 2012 (much good it did us).

Pubs around the East End will be bedecked with the red-on-white standard and many pints will be downed in his memory. Meanwhile, Tower Hamlets Council has organised a series of events to welcome back our neglected martyr.

It's especially appropriate as the East End has a long association with the mysterious St George. Anglican churches are of course permitted to fly the distinctive red cross on a white background from their towers, and in St George in the East we have a church (and former parish) dedicated to the fearless dragon slayer.

Or do we? As we will see, the provenance of the parish's name had as much to do with politics and power as it does beatific acts.

But first, who was George? He certainly wasn't an Englishman and we can be fairly sure he didn't slay a dragon. We do know with near certainty that he died in 303AD, martyred with the imaginative cruelty that was the hallmark of the Roman emperors.

George was probably born in Lydda, Palestine sometime between 275 and 285AD. His parents were Greeks, and his father, Gerontios, was a highly ranked officer in the Roman army.

After the death of Gerontios, George headed for the imperial capital of Nicomedia, presenting himself to the Emperor Diocletian and asking to be made a soldier. With his impeccable pedigree, he was accepted, and by his late twenties, George was a tribune in the imperial guard of the Emperor.

His seamless rise through the ranks came to a sudden halt, though, when Diocletian ordered a crackdown on the growing cult of Christianity among his soldiery.

St George slays the dragon

George was a Christian, but Diocletian, anxious not to lose a good soldier and the son of a personal favourite, desperately tried to get him to change his mind, offering lavish gifts of money, land and slaves if he would just recognise the Roman gods. But George was immovable and prepared himself for the sentence of death, giving his money and lands to the poor.

Death didn't come quickly to early martyrs. The soldier was tortured, lacerated on a wheel of swords (and resuscitated three times so the punishment could continue) and then beheaded before Nicomedia's city wall on 23 April, 303.

George's remarkable self sacrifice (and the effect it had on onlookers including the Empress Alexandra and Athanasius, a pagan priest, both of whom converted to Christianity) were responsible for his widespread recognition as a saint.

The Roman Catholic, Anglican, Lutheran, Oriental Orthodox and Eastern Orthodox Churches all venerate our man, and he is recognised and respected in Islam. The influence spread. England has George as its patron saint of course, but he is recognised across Europe – with 365 dedicated churches in Georgia, an order of chivalry in Russia, statues in the Czech Republic and Portugal just a few of the many dedications to the man.

And the legend grew, with medieval elements of courtly love and heroism being grafted on to the early story.

So George is often portrayed in knight's garb, slaying a dragon (possibly representing Satan), while a fair maiden looks on (possibly the Empress).

George is now holy, heroic and handsome – the perfect patron saint for a country that fancies itself as both bold and imperial, while decent and Christian. Late medieval England adopted him with enthusiasm. And what better name for a new church in the fast growing London of the early 18th century?

St George in the East was one of 50 churches planned for the cities of London and Westminster (and the areas nearby) under two acts of parliament, passed in 1710 and 1711.

There were a number of spurs to the acts. London had seen many of its churches destroyed in the Great Fire a half-century earlier, and the order had gone out that the capital should be rebuilt in stone not wood, a sensible rule but costly and slow. London planning, it seemed, ground just as slowly in the 17th century as the 21st.

Secondly, the Government was keen to increase the influence of the Anglican Church upon the people: Catholicism was ever a fear and the Church of England was of course established, with the King as its head, and its bishops sitting in the upper chamber of government, the House of Lords.

And third, London had a swiftly growing population and more places of worship were needed to accommodate the people. Areas that had once been unpopulated marshland (such as those around Wapping, Ratcliffe and Stepney) were becoming increasingly populated – eventually they would join up to form the urban sprawl that is today's East End.

Just such an area would become the new parish of St George in the East, lying within the ancient Hundred of Ossulston. (Hundreds were land divisions introduced by the Saxons from the seventh century on, the idea being that there were roughly 100 households in each division).

The new parish was an appendix of unassigned Middlesex, bounded by the existing parishes of St Mary, Whitechapel, St John, Wapping, and by the hamlets of Ratcliffe, Mile End Old Town and Stepney.

British History Online records that: "The land, not occupied by buildings, is now of very small extent, consisting of a few grassfields on the north side – the inhabitants are employed, for the most part, in rope-making, and the manufacture of other articles for the rigging of ships. There is no other considerable manufacture in the place."

The job of designing the parish church went to Nicholas Hawksmoor, who would also build Christ Church in Spitalfields and St Anne's Limehouse. He had anticipated a lifetime's work out of the dual Acts of Parliament and expressed his disappointment when the grand plans for 50 didn't come to fruition, though the maverick architectural genius did build six churches.

St George in the East rose in classic Hawksmoor style, its interior dressed in Dutch oak, and Doric pillars soaring to the roof.

St George in the East

Just one thing – the church isn't entirely named after our St George at all. Sydney Maddocks, writing in the Co-Partnership Herald in 1933, revealed the real story of the building's naming, writing: "The church was dedicated to St George as a delicate compliment to the King [George II], and the new parish thereby became designated that of St George, Middlesex.

"To distinguish it from other places of the same name in the Metropolis, it was soon called St George's-in-the-East."

And so the myth took another twist, as the canny Londoners flattered their monarch, associating him with Church, chivalry, sacrifice and the long, heroic past of Old England. St George, as English as roast beef (yet a Greek who served Rome) was being adapted once again to flatter a German king.

■ FURTHER READING:

St George in the East at British History Online: **http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=45416**

St George in the East parish from the Co-partnership Herald: **http://www.mernick.org.uk/thhol/stgeorge.html**

A range of services

The council provides many services for residents and businesses. Go to the A-Z on the website at

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

Get information on welfare reform

The council's benefits service can provide information about housing benefit, council tax benefit and entitlement to free school meals. It has compiled a list of helpful agencies at...

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK/WELFAREREFORM

Council information

Tower Hamlets forward planner

TOWER Hamlets Council produces a forward plan every month detailing the key decisions it will take, together with the details of the author, and consultation undertaken. It can be found in Idea Stores, libraries, One Stop Shops and council offices or at www.tower hamlets. gov.uk/data/ your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm

Meetings

Tuesday, April 23
6.30pm: Health scrutiny panel
The agenda includes reports on the Diabetes Alliance, updates on Healthwatch Tower Hamlets and the local Clinical Commissioning Group, and health scrutiny reviews on community assets and the Healthy Borough programme.
For details call 7364 0842 or email alan.ingram@tower hamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, April 24
7.30pm: Human resources committee
For details call 7364 4207 or email evelyn.akoto@tower hamlets.gov.uk

Tuesday, April 30
6.30pm: Extraordinary licensing sub-committee
For details call 7364 4120 or email simmi.yesmin@tower hamlets.gov.uk

Thursday, May 2
6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee
For details contact Simmi Yesmin (above).

Tuesday, May 7
7pm: Overview & scrutiny committee
Call 7364 4333 or email angus.taylor@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, May 8
5.30pm: Cabinet
Call 7364 4120 or email matthew.mannion@tower hamlets.gov.uk

Details are accurate at time of going to press. Agendas are available online a week before meetings, which are at the Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG, except Cabinet.

Tower Hamlets online

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk
For information on council services, including:

- report a missed rubbish collection
- make a doorstep recycling request
- report an abandoned vehicle
- bulk rubbish collections

Planning

E1
27 Argyle Road – mansard roof extension, single-storey side extension and side carport over existing off-street car parking space. Also conservation area consent for above.
4 Pump House Mews, Hooper Street – alterations and additions to ground-floor flat, new double-glazed front door and window, plus new double-glazed conservatory at rear.
136-142 Whitechapel Road – change of use from existing ancillary storage area to upper floors to create six flats and one bedsit. Addition of part first- and second-floor extension and two new floors.

E2
206-210 Cambridge Heath Road – extension of additional floor over existing three-storey building with roof terrace to provide nine residential flats and erection of new entrance fronting Cambridge Heath Road.
Park at Teesdale Street – install outdoor gymnasium.
115 Wellington Row – third-floor roof extension.

E3
48 Lyal Road – application for lawful development certificate re proposed construction of front garden wall.
85 Bow Road – internal and external refurbishment and alteration works including: general repairs, installation of rooflights, replacement of front boundary wall with railings and installation of railings to the side boundary, re-roofing, infilling of windows at rear, demolition of outbuilding, replacement of kitchen window with glazed door and installation of glazed lightwell cover. Also listed building consent for above.
55 Tredegar Square – listed building consent sought for: alteration to rear basement window to French doors; enlargement of hatch between front and rear basement rooms to doorway; removal of chimney breast to front basement room; replacement of lower flight of stairs to match original; removal of false wall to chimney breast in second-floor front room; enlargement of skylight in attic.
103-105 Grove Road – mansard roof extension at third-floor level to facilitate conversion of two 2-bed flats to two 3-bed flats.

E14
15-19 Rigden Street – roof extension to create additional two storeys for two additional flats including retaining existing three flats.

E20
Olympic Park – observations requested by London Legacy Development Corporation regarding submission of event management co-ordination framework as required by condition of permission 11/90313/VARODA (2007 Olympic permission), and equivalent permission imposed on subsequent slot-in permissions.

For more details go to www. towerhamlets.gov.uk and click on Planning & Building.

Drug treatment providers

Community Drug Team
Substitute prescribing, key working, health screening & referral to residential treatment.
71 Johnson Street, E1.
7790 1344
www.lifeline.org.uk

Nafas
Support with a focus on Bangladeshi community.
The Davenant Centre, 179-181 Whitechapel Road, E1
7377 0676.

Harbour Recovery Centre
In-patient detox for 18+ males.
Riverside House, 4th Floor, 20 Garford Street, E14.
7538 9421

Young People's Service
Treatment for under-19s
Unit 26, Skyline Village, Limeharbour, E14.
3069 7878
www.lifeline.org.uk

Isis
For women aged over 18
c/o Hopetown Hostel, 60 Old Montague Street, E1.
7426 0399
www.compass-uk.org

Community Alcohol Team
Unit 22, Skylines Village Limeharbour, E14.
0800 008 7200
www.rapt.org.uk

Somali Substance Misuse
Help, advice & referral for people with khat, alcohol or drug issues. Contact Idriis Elmi.
Mind in Tower Hamlets & Newham, Open House
13 Whitethorn Street, E3.
7510 1081

Your views sought on licensing policy

THE council is consulting on proposed changes to its statement of licensing policy.

Changes to national legislation and guidance, issued by the Home Office, mean that the council's statement of licensing policy needs to be reviewed.

This statement sets out the approach the authority will be taking when making licensing decisions during the five-year period up to December 2018.

As part of the review, the council would welcome views on the proposed changes.

The main licensing objectives for the council are set by legislative requirements but the statement of licensing policy details the council's approach to regulation.

The council has produced a document highlighting the draft policy changes and wishes to take into account the views of the police, fire authority, people who represent holders of premises, personal licences, local businesses and residents.

The consultation can be accessed at **www.towerhamlets .gov.uk/consultation**

A copy of the policy and the proposed changes can be seen on the website. The consultation closes on May 10, 2013.

For further information on the consultation or to request a paper copy call David Tolley, head of consumer and business regulations service, on 7364 6724 or email **david.tolley@tower hamlets.gov.uk**

Reg.Charity No. 1105899
The Coroners' Courts Support Service
Would you be able to give emotional and practical support to families and witnesses attending Inquests?
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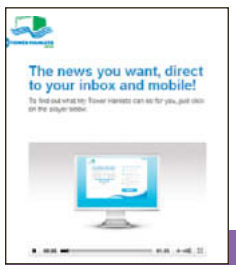

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Tower Hamlets residents can register for the free news and consultation service giving updates on subjects they choose as often as they want them. For more information visit...

MY.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

Look familiar?

Last week's photo was of a bobbin pavement roundel in Folgate St, E1.

SEE BELOW

Council information

Hotline numbers

Housing benefits – 7364 5001
Council tax – 7364 5002
Parking services – 7364 5003
Streetline – 7364 5004
Adult social care – 7364 5005
Children's services – 7364 5006
Pest and noise nuisance – 7364 5007
Environmental health, trading standards & licensing – 7364 5008
Planning & development – 7364 5009
Business rates – 7364 5010
Recruitment line – 7364 5011
Electoral services – 7364 0872
Tower Hamlets Homes – 7364 5015
Healthline – 7364 5016

Report it!

To report an incident, use these 24-hour freephone numbers:
Non-emergency crimes – 101
Textphone – 18001 101
Hate crimes – 0800 138 0521

General enquiries

For other council enquiries call 7364 5020.

Useful housing numbers

Housing repairs – 0800 376 1637
Tenancy support – 7364 5544
Housing advice (E14) – 7364 7507
Housing advice (E1, E2 or E3) – 7364 3558
Homeless service – 7364 7474
Choice-based lettings – 7364 0244
Homeseekers – 0845 270 2400

Switchboard

If you know the name of the person or department you need to contact, call the switchboard on 7364 5000.

Town Hall

Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, E14 2BG.
7364 5000

Other useful information

Safer Neighbourhood teams (SNTs)
SNTs operate in every ward in Tower Hamlets, providing dedicated community policing that works to priorities set by the public through Local Area Partnerships (LAPs).
To find out more about SNTs, contact your local team:
Bethnal Green North 8721 2851
Bethnal Green South 8721 2849
Blackwall & Cubitt Town 8721 2877
Bow East 8721 2807
Bow West 8649 3521
Bromley by Bow 8721 2041
East India & Lansbury 8721 2806
Limehouse 8721 2852
Mile End & Globe Town 8721 2853
Mile End East 8721 2848
Millwall 8721 2850
Shadwell 8649 3524
Spitalfields & Banglatown 8721 2042
St Dunstan's & Stepney Green 8721 2808
St Katharine's & Wapping 8721 2854
Weavers 8721 2043
Whitechapel 8649 3520
If a crime is in progress, there is an emergency or if anyone is in immediate danger please dial 999.

24-hour domestic violence national helpline
0808 2000 247

Trading standards
Consumer Direct: 08454 040506

Tower Hamlets Mediation Service offers confidential and impartial advice with neighbour conflict
Free service for council tenants and leaseholders. Mon-Fri, 9.30am-5pm.
7702 8305

Do you know where to find this unusual feature of the borough? Our popular oddities picture poser gives readers the chance to keep their eyes peeled to see if they can spot where our photographers took the pictures. And if you have photos of your own you want to submit, please feel free. Email eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk or send them to Photo Poser, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG.

Walk-in services

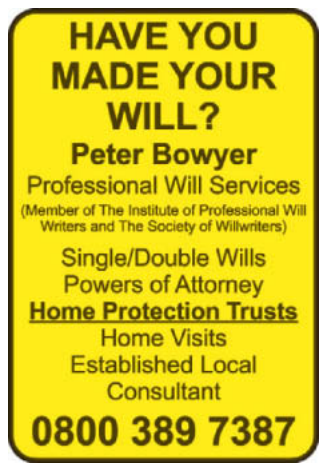
One Stop Shops
Bethnal Green – 1 Rushmead, off Bethnal Green Road, E2
Bow and North Poplar – 1 Ewart Place, Gladstone Place, E3
South Poplar – 15 Market Square, Chrisp Street, E14
Stepney/Wapping – Cheviot House, 227-233 Commercial Road, E1.
Open Mon-Fri, 9am, doors close at 4.30pm. Sat, 9am, doors close 12.30pm at Rushmead and Cheviot only.

Idea Stores

Bow – Gladstone Place, E3.
Canary Wharf – Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, E14.
Chrisp Street – Vesey Path, E14.
Whitechapel – 321 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7364 4332
All open: Mon to Thurs, 9am-9pm; Fri, 9am-6pm; Sat, 9am-5pm. Sundays – Bow and Chrisp Street open, 10am-4pm; Whitechapel, 11am-5pm; and Canary Wharf, 12-6pm.

Libraries

Bethnal Green – Cambridge Heath Road, E2. 8980 3902
Cubitt Town – Strattondale Street, E14. 7987 3152
All open: Mon, Tues, Weds & Fri, 10am-6pm; Thurs, 10am-8pm; Sat, 9am-5pm.
Local History Library and Archives – 277 Bancroft Road, E1. Temporarily closed during building works, until spring 2013. 7364 1290; email localhistory@towerhamlets.gov.uk



Isku soo dhawaashada

War iyo wacaal waxaad haysaan u soo dir boga isku soo dhaweynta bulshada ee East End Life.

7364 4944

মেয়র ব্লাকওয়ালরীচের উন্নয়ন প্রকল্প উদ্বোধন করলেন

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের সবচেয়ে উচ্চাভিলাষি প্রকল্পগুলোর অন্যতম প্রায় ১৬০০ নতুন ঘর নির্মানের বিশাল একটি প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়নের কাজ আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে শুরু হয়েছে। মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান এই প্রকল্পটি উদ্বোধন করতে গিয়ে বলেছেন হাউজিং হচ্ছে আমাদের সবোর্চ্চ অগ্রাধিকারগুলোর অন্যতম ।

MAYOR LAUNCHED BLACKWALL REACH TRANSFORMATION

Harmony

Mashruuca dhallan roga Blackwall

Bulldozers begin Blackwall transformation – page 1

MASHRUUCII dib u hagaajinta ee ugu weynaa ayaa todobaadkii la soo dhaafay ayaa majarihiisii qabsaday kadib markii la bilaabay dumintii si loogu xaadho oo loo baneeyo qayb guryo cusub laga dhiso iyo goobo loogu talagalay adeegyada kale ee bulshada.

The Mayor meets contractors at Robin Hood Gardens

Maadaama in ku dhaw 1,600 oo guri oo cub uu Poplar u soo hoynayo, barnaamijka dib u dhiska Blackwall, wuxuu isbedel weyn ku samaynayaa dhulka degaanka waxaanu saamayn san ku yeelanayaa kumayaal dadka ku nool iyo dadka ku nool jaararka.

Guryaha cusub ee baahida weyn loo qabey ka sako, wuxuu mashruucu dhallan rog ku samaynayaa barxadaha dadweynaha ee la wadaago sida sarta Robin Hood Gardens, jidadka iyo gaadiidkaba waa la hagaajinyaa, shaqo abuurid iyo tabo baro dadka deegaanka anfaca.

Iyada oo uu hogaaminayo kownsulku oo ku lamaan Greater London Authority, ururka guryaha ee Swan, mashruucani wuxuu dhisi doonaa 98 guri oo cusub, xarun cusub oo bulshado, adeeg iyo agab leh iyo xafiiska guryaha. Waxaa kale la samayn barxada dadweyne, oo la hagaajinayaa dhulka banana ee wadaago.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman ayaa yidhi: "Guryuhu waxay iigu jiraan mudnaanta koowaad. Dib u dhiska Blackwall Reach wuxuu ku keenayaa horumarin laxaad leh nolosha qoysas badan oo ku nool deeganka."

Kownsular Rabina Khan, xubinta kabinetka ee guryaha ayaa tidhi: "Markii muddo dheer qorshayn iyo hawl lagu soo jirey, waa farxad weyn in la arko mashruucii oo dhaqaaqay."

Casharo iyo fasalo fayo-dhawr ah

Steps to better health – issue 955

KOWNSULKU wuxuu kafaala qaadaya xiisado caafimaad, kuwaas oo aad kaga heli karto onlayn Idea Store chrisp Street, Abril 18, 10am; Laubareeriga Bethnal Green , Abril 18, 10.30am; Laybareeriga Cubit Town , Abril 23, 10.30am iyo Idea Store Whitechapel, Abril 24, 2pm.

Labareeriga Bethnal Green ee ku yaal Jidka Cambridge Heath wuxuu kafaalo sedex xilli oo uu ugu talagalay caafimaad iyo fayo dhawrka iyo weliba daryeelka Arthritis.

Abril 16ka waxaa jiraya fasalo daryeel iyo jimicsi ah lga bilaabo 11 ilaa 12 duhurnimo. Waxaa kale oo Abril 30da heleysaa talooyin ku saabsan quudashada saxada leh iyo daryeel.

Haddaad dooneyso in aad sii wadato casharada caafimaadka, waxaa is qori kartaa koorasyada ay ka mid yihiin qoobka cayaarka iyo dabaakhistu.

Waxaa la ogaadey in akhrisku wax ka taro qulubka, sidaa daraadeedna kumayaalka buuq ee yaalla laybareeriyaduna in daawo u yihiin ruuxa.

Haddaad dooneysid in aad koox la akhristo, laybareeriyada oo dhan oo koox buugaagta aad la akhristo.

Faahfaahin dheeraad ah booqo **www.ideastore.co.uk**

Xuska dhibanayaashii garnaylka

In memory of Brick Lane nail bomb victims – see issue 955

TALAABO lagu xusayo sannad guuradii ka soo wareegtey markii garnaylkii masaabiirta ee Bricklane lagu qarxiyey 1999. Xuskan waxaa la qabanayaa maalinta Arbacda ee Abril tahay 24.

Ka soo qaybgalayaashu waxay is tubi doonaan ka soo horjeedka saldhiga booliiska, markay saacadu tahay6pm si ay shidaan shamacyo, hal daqiiqana u aamusaan.

Samafalayaal ayaa qabin doono macluumaad la xidhiidh ololaha lidka ku aha nacaybshaha.

Lix qof ayaa ku dhawaacmay markii garnaykaasi qarxay 24 Abril, 1999.

Juulay 2000, ayaa xukun loogu ridey qarxayadii ka dhacay Bricklane, Brixton iyo Soho.

Bulldozers begin Blackwall transformation – page 1

The Mayor at the first stage of demolition at Blackwall Reach

ব্ল্যাকওয়াল রীচের রিজেনারেশন প্রকল্পের কাজ শুরু ঃ ১৬০০ নতুন ঘর নির্মান করা হবে

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের সবচেয়ে উচ্চাভিলাষি প্রকল্পগুলোর অন্যতম প্রায় ১৬০০ নতুন ঘর নির্মানের বিশাল একটি প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়নের কাজ আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে শুরু হয়েছে।

১৮ এপ্রিল বৃহস্পতিবার ব্লাকওয়াল রীচ এর রিজেনারেশন বা উন্নয়ন প্রকল্প এলাকার বর্তমান স্থাপনা গুড়িয়ে ফেলার মাধ্যমে বৃহত্তম এই প্রকল্পের প্রথম পর্বের কাজ আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে উদ্বোধন করেন নির্বাহী মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান।

পপলারের ব্ল্যাকওয়াল রীচ রিজেনারেশন স্কীম বাস্তবায়িত হলে প্রায় ১৬০০ নতুন বাড়ি নির্মিত হবে, যার মধ্যে ৬৯৮টি ঘর হবে এফোরডেবল, অর্থাৎ সামর্থ্যাধীন সামাজিক আবাসন। এছাড়া প্রকল্প এলাকায় নির্মিত হবে অত্যাধুনিক কমিউনিটি সুবিধাদি। প্রকল্প পুরোপুরি বাস্তবায়ন হলে পাল্টে যাবে পুরো এলাকার চেহারা। এটি একটি বিশাল উন্নয়ন প্রকল্প, দেশের শীর্ষস্থানীয় ১০০ টি প্রকল্পের মধ্যে এর অবস্থান হচ্ছে ৫০ তম।

প্রকল্পের প্রথম ফেজ ডেমোলিশন ওয়ার্ক বা স্থাপনা গুড়িয়ে ফেলার কাজের উদ্বোধনকালে নির্বাহী মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, হাউজিং হচ্ছে আমার সর্বোচ্চ অগ্রাধিকারগুলোর একটি। ব্ল্যাকওয়াল রীচ এর উন্নয়ন টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের শত শত পরিবারের জীবনে প্রভূত উন্নয়ন নিশ্চিত করবে। স্থানীয় বাসিন্দাদের জন্য মান সম্মত বাড়ি-ঘরের ব্যবস্থা করাটা আমার অন্যতম একটি অঙ্গিকার।

মেয়র আরো বলেন, এই উন্নয়ন প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়নের ক্ষেত্রে আজকের এই ডেমোলিশন ওয়ার্ক নিঃসন্দেহে একটি গুরুত্বপূর্ণ মাইলস্টন। আগামী মাসগুলোতে নতুন ঘর বাড়ি নির্মানের কাজ শুরুর প্রথম পদক্ষেপ হচ্ছে আজকের এই কাজ।

কেবিনেট মেম্বার ফর হাউজিং, কাউন্সিলর রাবিনা খান বলেন, অনেক অনেক মাসের প্ল্যানিং এবং পার্টনারদের সাথে ঘনিষ্টভাবে কাজের ফলশ্রুতিতে প্রজেক্টের প্রথম পর্বের কাজ শুরু হচ্ছে দেখে আমরা সন্তুষ্ট।

তিনি বলেন, এই স্কীম বাস্তবায়নের ফলে বর্তমান এস্টেটে সামর্থাধীন ও ফ্যামিলি সাইজ বাড়ি-ঘরের সংখ্যা আরো বাড়বে, এবং রবিন হুড গার্ডেন্স এলাকায় বর্তমানে বসবাসরত ঘরের মালিক ও কাউন্সিল টেনেন্টদের জন্য থাকবে নতুন ঘর।

সোয়ান হাউজিং এসোসিয়েশনের ডেভেলপমেন্ট ডিরেক্টর, মার্ক কার্ল বলেন, ব্ল্যাকওয়াল রীচের জন্য এটি একটি গুরুত্বপূর্ণ পদক্ষেপ। নেতৃস্থানীয় ডেভেলপার হিসেবে নিয়োগ লাভের পর থেকে সোয়ান স্থানীয় কমিউনিটি, টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ কাউন্সিল, জিএলএ এবং অন্যান্য অংশীদারদের সাথে অত্যন্ত ঘনিষ্টভাবে কাজ করার ফলেই প্রকল্পকে আজকের এই পর্যায়ে নিয়ে আসতে পেরেছে।

মার্ক আরো বলেন, এই কাজ শুরুর মধ্য দিয়ে আমরা আমাদের উন্নয়ন পরিকল্পনাকে বাস্তবায়নের পর্যায়ে নিয়ে এলাম।

Nemesis, a new play by the council's A Team Arts

New play to showcase the talents of young people

রাজনীতি ও নেতৃত্বের উপর ভিত্তি করে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিলের ইয়ুথ প্লাটফরম এ টিম একটি নাটক মঞ্চস্থ করার উদ্যেগ নিয়েছে। ১৩ থেকে ১৯ বছরের কিশোর-তরুনরা এই নাটকে অভিনয় সহ প্রযোজনায় অংশ গ্রহন করেছেন বলে জানা গেছে।

বিশ্বের ৫টি বৃহৎ শক্তিকে নেমেসিস নামে এই নাটকে দেখানো হয়েছে। ৫টি বারার ইয়ুথ থিয়েটার ফ্যাস্টিভ্যালে নাটকটি মঞ্চস্থ হবে। আগামি ২৪, ২৫,২৬,২৯ শে এপ্রিল হ্যানবারি স্ট্রীট ই ওয়ানের ব্রাডি সেন্টারে এই নাটকটি মঞ্চস্থ হবে।

মাইলএন্ড পার্কে নতুন খাবারের দোকান

মাইল এন্ড পার্কের চিলড্রেন পার্ক এলাকায় একটি নতুন খাবারের দোকান খোলা হয়েছে। সকাল ১০টা থেকে বিকাল ৪টা পর্যন্ত এই দোকানে কোল্ড এবং হট ড্রিংকসের সাথে অন্যান্য খাবার ও পাওয়া যাবে এসব খাবার হল স্যান্ডউইচ,পাস্তা, সালাদ, জ্যাকেট পটেটো ইত্যাদি। বিস্তারিত সংবাদ নীচে দেখুন।

NEW KIOSK AT MILE END PARK

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এপ্রিল মাসজুড়ে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের আইডিয়া স্টোরগুলোতে লাইব্রেরি পড়াশোনা ইত্যাদির পাশা পাশি স্বাস্থ্য ভাল রাখার জন্যে প্রতিদিন কিছু না কিছু কর্মসুচি রাখা হয়েছে। ফ্রি কর্মসুচিগুলোর পাশা-পাশি আইডিয়া স্টোরে সময় কাটানোর জন্যে বন্ধু-বান্ধবদের সাথে কফি পান এবং গল্পগুজব করার ও জায়গা রয়েছে।

আইডিয়া স্টোরগুলোতে হাজার হাজার বই রয়েছে যে গুলো মেডিসিন ফর দি সোল এসব পুস্তক পাঠের মাধ্যমে মানসিক চাপ হ্রাস করা যায়। একা বই পড়া বা গ্রুপের সাথে বই পড়ারও বন্দোবস্থ রয়েছে।

আইডিয়া স্টোরগুলোতে স্বাস্থ্য বিষয়ক তথ্য সম্বলিত প্রচুর বই-পুস্তক রয়েছে। এই সব বই গুলো অধ্যয়ন করলে স্বাস্থ্য ভাল রাখার নানা তথ্য পাওয়া যাবে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, আমাদের আইডিয়া স্টোরগুলো জনগনের চাহিদার দিকে লক্ষ্য রেখে তাদের কর্মসুচি নির্ধারন করে থাকে। স্বাস্থ্য রক্ষার খাতিরে তথ্য ও পরামর্শমুলক বই পুস্তক রয়েছে আইডিয়া স্টোরে যা থেকে বাসিন্দারা উপকৃত হতে পারেন।কেবিনেট মেম্বার ফর কাউন্সিলর রানিয়া খান বলেন,পড়ার মাধ্যমে মানসিক চাপ কমানো সম্ভব। আমি আশা করি বাসিন্দারা মেডিসিন ফর দি সোল সেশনগুলোতে যোগদান করবেন এবং আইডিয়া স্টোরগুলো থেকে তথ্য ও পরামর্শ নিয়ে উপকৃত হবেন।

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মাইল এন্ড পার্কে খাবারের দোকান

New Mile End Park kiosk – issue 955

মাইল এন্ড পার্কে নতুন কিয়স্ক অপারেটর আসা উপলক্ষে গত সপ্তাহে আয়োজন করা হয়েছিলো এক ফান ডে অনুষ্ঠানের। এতে মিকে এবং মিনি মাউস ও বাসিন্দাদের সাথে যোগ দেয়।

লকসলি স্ট্রীটের চিলড্রেন পার্কে স্থাপিত এই কিয়স্কটি আইল অফ ডগসের বাসিন্দা টিনা ক্যালি চালাবেন বলে জানানো হয়েছে।

১১ এপ্রিল খাবার এর স্বাদ টেস্ট করে দেখানোর ব্যবস্থা করা হয়েছিল। এ উপলক্ষে কাউন্সিল পরিবার ও পরিজন নিয়ে উপভোগ করার মত নানা ধরনের অনুষ্ঠানেরও আয়োজন করেছিল। এর মধ্যে ছিল আর্টস এন্ড ক্রাফটস, ফেইস পেইন্টিং এবং বাউন্সি ক্যাসল ইত্যাদি।

জানা গেছে, নতুন স্থাপিত এই দোকানটি সকাল ১০টা থেকে বিকাল ৪টা পর্যন্ত খোলা থাকবে এবং এতে গরম এবং ঠান্ডা পানীয় বিক্রয় করা হবে। এ ছাড়াও পাস্তা, জ্যাকেট পটেটো, স্যান্ডউইচ, কারি এবং সালাদ ও বিক্রয় করা হবে।

জোলেন (৩১) নামের একজন তার পরিবারের সদস্যদের নিয়ে ফান ডে'র অনুষ্ঠানে যোগ দেন। তিনি বলেন, আমি এই ফানডে উপভোগ করেছি সাথে সাথে খাবার ও ড্রিংকও আমাদের ভাল লেগেছে।

২৮ বছর বয়স্ক মিশেল নামের আরেকজন তার অভিজ্ঞতার কথা বর্ননা করতে গিয়ে বলেন, ফানডে উপলক্ষে ব্যাপক অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন করা হয়েছিল। নতুন স্থাপিত দোকানটিও খুব ভাল এবং মিকি এন্ড মিনি ও খুব জনপ্রিয়।

উল্লেখ্য যে, ইস্টারের ছুটির সময় কাউন্সিল মাইল এন্ড পার্ক এর চিলড্রেন প্লে পার্ক এলাকায় ব্যাপক কর্মসুচির আয়োজন করেছিল।

Kiosk operator Tina Kelly with Cllr Maium Miah and children in Mile End Children's Park

ছুটির দিনে শিশুদের কেক বানানোর অনুষ্ঠান

Chocolate baking fun – see page 2

গত ১৩ এপ্রিল ৫ থেকে ১১ বছরের প্রায় ৮০ জন শিশু মাইলএন্ড পার্কের চিলড্রেন প্লে পার্কে মাফিন্স, কাপ কেক তৈরীর এক কর্মশালায় অংশ নেয়।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল শিশুদের জন্য এই কেক তৈরীর কর্মশালার আয়োজন করে।

দুই সপ্তাহের ছুটি উপলক্ষে শিশুদের জন্যে আয়োজিত এই অনুষ্ঠানের ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে ৪৪ বছর বয়স্ক লেইজিড পিকোনি বলেন, পার্ক কর্তৃপক্ষের উদ্যোগে সময়ে সময়ে খুব ভাল অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন করা হয়ে থাকে। আমরা এই অনুষ্ঠানগুলো উপভোগ করে থাকি।

আট বছরের শিশু ইমন এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, আমি এই অনুষ্ঠানটি অত্যন্ত ভালভাবে উপভোগ করতে পেরেছি, এর আগে আমি কখনো চকলেট বা কেক বানাইনি।

৬ বছর বয়স্ক ইমাদ এ ব্যাপারে বলতে গিয়ে বলে, আমি চকোলেট এবং কেক বানিয়ে অনেক আনন্দ লাভ করেছি।

Three-year-old Yeamin enjoys his chocolate feast

News in brief

অশোভন আচরণের জন্যে সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্কারের জেল

কাউন্সিলের সাবেক সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্কার নর্থ ওয়েস্ট লন্ডনের ওয়েম্বলির বাসিন্দা ৫৯ বছর বয়স্ক সয়ফার রহমানকে ১০ বছরের বালিকা ও তার অসুস্থ মাতার সাথে অশোভন আচরণ করার অভিযোগ প্রমানিত হওয়ায় সাত বছরের কারাদন্ড দেয়া হয়েছে।

আদালতের সুত্রে জানানো হয়েছে ১৯৯৭ সালে সয়ফার রহমান যখন সোশ্যাল ওয়ার্কার হিসেবে ঐ পরিবারে ভিজিটে যেতেন তখন তিনি মা ও মেয়ের সাথে অশোভন আচরণ করেছিলেন। বিচারক সাইমন বলেন দায়িত্ব পালন কালে এটা ব্যাপক বিশ্বাস ভঙ্গের কারন হয়েছে।

ডিসি সেভ হাউ বলেনে, ভুক্তভোগিরা সাহস করে এগিয়ে আসার বিষয়টিকে নজরে আনতে হবে। অভিযুক্তকে আরো বেশি শাস্তি দেয়া যেত যেহেতু তিনি কিডনি রোগে ভুগছেন এবং ৭ বছর পর্যন্ত জীবন রয়েছে এই দিক বিবেচনা করে তাকে ৭ বছর কারাদন্ড দেয়া হয়েছে।

১৯৯৯ সালে তাকে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল থেকে অন্য অভিযোগের ভিত্তিতে বরখাস্ত করা হয়েছিল।

শিশু নির্যাতনকারি জিম প্রশিক্ষক দন্ডিত

নিউ ক্রসের বাসিন্দা বব ব্যালো নামে ৬৬ বছর বয়স্ক একজন জিমন্যাস্টিক কোচকে স্নেয়ার্সব্রুক ক্রাউন কোর্ট ১৫ মাসের কারাদন্ড দিয়েছে তবে তা দুই বছরের জন্যে সাসপেন্ডেড থাকবে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের সাবেক এই জিমন্যাস্টিক কোচ গত ৪০ বছরে ৭জন বালিকার সাথে যৌন আচরন করে বলে কোর্টসুত্রে জানা গেছে। ১৯৭০ সালে ব্যালো একটি জিমন্যাস্টিকস ক্লাব প্রতিষ্ঠা করেন এবং নিউক্রসের একটি প্রাইমারি স্কুলে শিক্ষকতা করতেন। তিনি মধ্য ৯০ সাল থেকে ২০১০ সাল পর্যন্ত টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের স্কুলস জিমন্যাস্টিকস এন্ড ড্যান্স ডিসপ্লে টিমের দায়িত্বে ছিলেন।

তার বিরুদ্ধে ১৭টি অসদাচারণের অভিযোগ আনা হয় এবং এর মধ্যে ৮টি অভিযোগ তিনি স্বীকার করে নেন এর মধ্যে একটি ছিল যৌনাচারমুলক। ৬ থেকে ১১ বছরের বালিকারা তার হাতে নিগৃহীত হয়েছিল।

মেট্রপলিটন পুলিশের চাউল্ড এবিউজ ইনভেস্টিগেশন টিমের অফিসার ডিসি লুই ফেন্টন ভুক্তভোগিদের এগিয়ে আসায় ধন্যবাদ জানান। তিনি বলেন অন্য কেউ যদি বব ব্যালোর হাতে নির্যাতিত হয়ে থাকেন তাহলে তাকে ১০১ এই ফোন নম্বরে যোগাযোগ করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

হোপ ফর দি হোমলেস

আশা গ্যাঙ মিডিয়েশন প্রোগামের উদ্যেগে ওসমানি সেন্টারে 'হোপ ফর দি হোমলেস' নামে এক অনুষ্টানের আয়োজন করা হয়। এতে প্রায় ৪৫ জন হোমলেস লোক যোগদান করেন তাদেরকে খাবার এবং পোষাক দান করা হয়।

জানা গেছে,বাংলাদেশি রেস্টুরেন্টগুলো থেকে ১২৫ কন্টেইনার খাবার ও কাপড় সংগ্রহ করা হয় যা হোমলেস লোকদের দান করা হয়। এই অনুষ্ঠানে অংশ গ্রহনকারি এক হোমলেস ব্যাক্তি বলেণ আমাদের জন্যে তরুনরা যে সেবার হাত বাড়িয়েছেন এর জন্যে আমরা কৃতজ্ঞতা জানাচ্ছি।

উল্লেখ্য যে তরুনরা ডিউক অফ এডিনবরা পুরস্কারের জন্যে প্রস্তুতি গ্রহন করছে এর অংশ হিসাবে তার হোমলেস লোকদের জন্যে এই অনুষ্ঠানটির আয়োজন করেছে। নাদিম জাহির নামে ১৭ বছরের একজন তরুন সদস্য এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন এই হোপ ফর দি হোমলেস প্রকল্পটিতে কাজ করতে গিয়ে আমি কমিউনিটি ইভেন্ট করার অভিজ্ঞতা লাভ করেছি এবং কি ভাবে নেতৃত্ব দিতে হয় তাও শিক্ষা লাভ করেছি।

সেন্ট জর্জেস ডে উপলক্ষে অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল সেন্ট জর্জেস ডে উপলক্ষে মিউজিয়াম অফ চাইল্ডহুডের সাথে আয়োজিত এক অনুষ্ঠানের মাধ্যমে প্যাট্রন সেইন্ট অফ ইংল্যান্ড এর প্রতি শ্রদ্ধা নিবেদন করে। ক্যামব্রিজহীথ রোডের মিউজিয়ার অফ চাইল্ড একটি বিনোদনমুলক অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন করা হয়।

২৩ শে এপ্রিল ব্রাডি সেন্টারে এক আফটারনুন টি ড্যান্সের আয়োজন করা হবে এতে সকলকে উপস্থিত থাকার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান ইংলিশ ঐতিহ্যকে উৎসবের মাধ্যমে পালন করা জন্যেসেন্ট জর্জেস দিবস পালন উপলক্ষে মিউজিয়াম অফ চাইল্ডহুড যে উদ্যেগ গ্রহন করেছে আমি তাকে স্বাগত জানাই। এ ছাড়াও আমরা প্রবীনদের জন্যে টি ড্যান্সের ও আয়োজন করেছি।

কালচার বিষয়ক কেবিনটে মেম্বার কাউন্সিলর রানিয়া খান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, এই দিবসটি পালনের মাধ্যমে সামাজিক যোগাযোগ স্থাপিত হয়ে থাকে।

শিল্পীরা বাচ্চাদের ছবি অংকন করবেন

শিশু দারিদ্র দূর করার জন্যে সচেতনতা সৃষ্ঠি করার লক্ষ্যে মিরাকলস চ্যারিটি প্রজেক্ট এর উদ্যেগে বিখ্যাত শিল্পীদের দিয়ে চিত্রাংকন করানো হবে।

শিশু দারিদ্র্যের অবসান ঘটানোর লক্ষ্যে অংশ গ্রহন করার জন্যে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের ৫০টি ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠানকে এই প্রকল্পকে অর্থায়ন করার জন্যে আহ্বান জানানো হয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের শিশুরা যদি এই প্রকল্পে অংশ নিতে চান তাহলে www.miraclethecharity.org এই ওয়েবসাইট ভিজিটে গিয়ে আবেদন করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

■ **The above stories are: seven years for indecent assaults – issue 955; gym coach given a suspended prison sentence – issue 955; Aasha gang mediation programme organises Hope for the Homeless; celebrate St George's Day with traditional fun; 50 artists to paint 50 children's portraits – issue 954.**

Rewarded for outstand

Service to the community comes in all shapes and forms. Suppo
choir, cleaning the neighbourhood or teaching sporting skills. As
awards were recognised for their outstanding achievements in t
exceptional ways in which residents are helping to improve the

SPEAKER and borough first citizen Cllr Rajib Ahmed presented 14 men and women with civic awards at a ceremony at the Town Hall on Monday, April 15.

Recipients were recognised in the following categories:outstanding service to the community; bringing credit to the borough through sporting, artistic or cultural activities; improving the quality of life for local people by providing services beyond those they are paid to do; benefiting the community through business and community involvement; and being a young achiever under the age of 25.

Winners were short-listed from hundreds of nominations sent in by appreciative fellow residents, colleagues, service users, employers and support workers.

Outstanding service to the community

Rita Bensley

Rita is chair of the Association of Island Communities, a board member of the East End Community Foundation, gives her time and energy to running Strafford Street Friendship Club and is a dedicated volunteer.

"Rita personally ensures that the borough is a better place in which to live. Her voluntary work is incredible," said Patricia Clarke, one of those who nominated her

Sister Christine Frost

Jean Thompson who nominated Sister Christine for an award said the Poplar resident works tirelessly for people in Tower Hamlets.

"She cooked and delivered over 100 meals for the elderly and housebound at Christmas. In summer she takes OAPs to the seaside, she runs lunch clubs, is on countless committees and has helped improve the lives of local people," Jean said.

Michael Griffin

"Every day for the last 12 years, Michael has kept the streets around William Guy Gardens estate and our special needs school clean on a voluntary basis," Charlene Adutwim, business and development manager Ian Mikardo High School, said.

"He is up at the crack of dawn and by the time school starts at 8.30am he has finished work.. We want the whole borough to recognise his hard work, dedication and the pride he has in his community."

Reba Hoore

Reba, a former teacher at Tower Hamlets College and the Montefiore Centre, helped women to fulfil their dreams by giving guidance and support. In 1980, she helped build the first Hindu Bengali temple in the UK. She raised £100,000 for the construction of the three-storey temple and now encourages people of other faiths to visit it and learn about Hinduism, bridging gaps between communities, said Mitta Datta who recommended her for an award.

Golam Chowdhury

Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman, who nominated Nazim for an award, said the community activist has been instrumental in establishing Betar Bangla community radio station, which is appreciated especially by people who are house bound and the elderly. Golam also trains local residents to become volunteer presenters.

The winners with speaker Cllr Rajib Ahmed and other councillors

> "Rita personally ensures that the borough is a better place in which to live."
> Patricia Clarke

Mahbub Hossain

Azizur Rahman Khan and Abdul Mannan recommended Mahbub for an award.

They described how he has volunteered in the community for more than 16 years, establishing Redcoat Community Centre in 1998.

The centre and mosque provide supplementary education, entertainment and leisure, prayer facilities and youth activities and sees nearly 2,000 worshippers attend weekly Friday prayers.

Mohammed Afsor Miah

Community activist, founder of the Bangladesh Cricket Forum and chair of an international social welfare trust are some of the attributes Mohammed Afsor Miah is credited with.

"A few months ago, he was approached by a father whose four-year-old daughter had cancer. Mr Miah, through his trust, organised a fund-raiser and got community leaders to take part in a live TV appeal," said Cllr Motin Uz-Zaman who nominated him.

ing community spirit

orting vulnerable residents, running a community s winners of this year's Tower Hamlets civic the borough, **Jessica Odubayo** looks at the lives of others. Photos by **Kois Miah**.

Pam Hulme

"Pam has worked on the Isle of Dogs as a director of music since 2008. Her community choir meets weekly and gives young and old together the chance to sing show tunes, popular songs, some religious classics and music especially commissioned for the Isle of Dogs community," said Fr. Tom Pyke, vicar of the Isle of Dogs.

Under Pam's direction, the choir has worked with Trinity music centre in Greenwich and organisers of the Cultural Olympiad.

Brought credit to the borough through sporting, artistic or cultural activities

Soyfur Rahman

Recognising Mr Rahman's resilience Omotayo Obisesan, a support worker with Look Ahead Housing and Care, nominated him for a civic award.

Soyfur came to the UK at the age of 11 and was placed under the care of the local authority. He later started a sport science course at Kingston University but had to postpone his studies due to his parents' ill health.

Soyfur began to volunteer for a cricket club and local schools and has now developed a career as a sports coach, teaching football and badminton.

Golam Mostafa

Golam is one of the founders and present chair of cultural charity Udichi Shilpi Gosthi. His award also recognised him as founder of the Baishaki Mela, the largest Bengali street festival outside Bangladesh, and founder of the martyr's monument at Altab Ali Park and one of the founders of the Rich Mix Centre in Bethnal Green.

Benefiting the community through business and community involvement

Ian Frazer (collected by daughter Helen)

Sir Alasdair MacDonald, headteacher of Morpeth Secondary School, nominated Mr Frazer, citing his 47-year stint as a school governor and chair of the finance committee.

"In that time the school has undergone massive change and Ian has been a loyal and committed governor – attending probably in excess of 500 meetings," the headteacher said.

Young achievers under 25

Shoeb U Kabir

Shoeb started the first UK online Bengali community newspaper, the weekly Bangla News. He was nominated by Reza Faisal Choudhury.

> "Shipon overcame these obstacles and progressed to a point where he is able to give something back to the organisation that supported him."
>
> Omotayo Obisesan

Shipon Ali

Omotayo Obisesan, support worker at Look Ahead Housing and Care, nominated Shipon for a civic award.

"Shipon came to Look Ahead after receiving a community order. He completed courses in counselling and psychotherapy, personal safety and health and social care and volunteered with youth in the community.

"After going through homelessness, offending and disruptive lifestyle choices, Shipon overcame these obstacles and progressed to a point where he is able to give something back to the organisation that supported him," Omotayo said.

Improving the quality of life for local people by providing services beyond those they are paid to do

Rita Dove

Rita is founder and director of Bowhaven, a local service-led voluntary organisation that provides social and therapeutic support for people with mental health problems.

She was nominated by Richard Fradgley, deputy director of mental health and joint commissioning at NHS Tower Hamlets clinical commissioning group.

"Rita is a service user and also a carer. Despite the consequent challenges, she has blazed a trail locally, in having the vision, foresight and tireless energy to found and direct Bowhaven since 2003," he said.

Stands Alone

Exhibition explores lives of residents at the old Highbury Stadium.

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Great detective gets his revenge

Sherlock Holmes was created by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. The detective is famous for his astute logical reasoning and his use of forensic science skills to solve difficult cases.

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Out & about guide

What's on where this week

Dance

Autism & Me
New weekly creative dance and art class for eight- to 11-year-olds with autism, and their siblings. Free.
Every Weds, from Apr 24, 5.30-6.30pm.
Chisenhale Dance Space,
64-84 Chisenhale Road, E3.
www.chisenhaledancespace.co.uk

Exhibitions

Her Eyes and My Voice
New performance from Connie Butler and Lauren Godfrey – who go under the names of Vanessa Visual and Virgina Verbal. Free.
Thurs, Apr 25, 7pm.
Chisenhale Gallery,
64 Chisenhale Road, E3.
8981 4518

Open Studios
Work by artists living at studios. Free.
Fri, Apr 26-Sun, Apr 28, times vary.
Robinson Road Studios,
44 Bonner Road, E2.
8981 6811

Stands Alone
Exhibition from photogtrapher Simone Novotny that looks at the lives of people living in flats built on the old Highbury Stadium, former home of Arsenal FC. Free.
Until Sat, Aug 2
Geffrye Museum, Kingsland Road, E2.
www.geffrye-museum.org.uk

Riverbed Rotherhithe
Mary Fitton's photos of flotsam and jetsam from the Thames. Free.
Tues, Apr 2 – Tues, Apr 30, times vary.
Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
7739 9001

Film

Sundance London Film Festival
American film festival returns to the UK for the second time, with 18 feature films and nine shorts to be shown across three days. Prices vary.
Thurs, Apr 25-Sun, Apr 28, times vary.
The O2, Millennium Way, SE10.
www.sundance-london.com

Marc Almond: Ten Plagues
Former Soft Cell frontman Marc Almond performs his award-winning song cycle based on eye-witness accounts of the 1665 London Plague. £12.50-£25. Weds, Apr 24 – Sat, May 18. Wilton's Music Hall, 1 Graces Alley, E1.
http://wiltons.org.uk

Music

Redlight x Karma Kid
Jungle, electro, garage, UK bass techno and more. £12.50-£20.
Fri, Apr 26, 9pm.
XOYO, 32-37 Cowper Street, EC2A.
http://xoyo.co.uk

Theatre

The Revenge of Sherlock Holmes!
Theatre company Morphic Grafitti's production with audience interaction, puppetry and magic. £18-£20.
Until May 10, times vary.
Hoxton Hall, 130 Hoxton Street, N1.
www.hoxtonhall.co.uk

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Sport & leisure

Sun kune do
Mons, 7-8.15pm. Adults £4.50, ages 10-16, £3.50.
Lifra Hall, 7 Halley Street, E1.

Taekwondo classes
Taster class £5 for adults, £3 for children aged five to 14.
Adults £50-£40 per month.
Easy Studio, 60-64 Kingsland Road, E2.
7033 4660

Women's football
Train with East London Ladies FC at Whitechapel Sports Centre, Durward Street, E1.
Mon, 8-9pm, ages 16+. Free.
www.eastlondonladiesfc.co.uk

Women's self-defence
Mons, 7-8.15pm, £5 adults/ £3.50 children. John Orwell Sports Centre, Tench Street, E1.
07949 597965

Table Tennis Club
Every Sat, 10am-12pm
For ages 11-19
George Green's School, 100 Manchester Road, E14.
7987 6032

Angel yoga
Kundalini yoga for beginners every Tues, 7.30-8.45pm. £9.
St Hilda's Community Centre, 18 Club Row E2.
07890 909928
satkartarkaur@rocketmail.com

Zumba classes
Every Weds, 7.30-8.30pm. £5.
Tredegar Community Centre, 333 Morville Street, E3.
07884 168176

Zumba Fit
Get in shape for with a fun and energetic Zumba class. All levels welcome. £5.
Every Weds, 6.30-7.15pm.
Bow Methodist Church, 1 Merchant Street, E3.
07592 140590

Dance

Argentinian tango E14
Class. Sat 2-5pm. £5. St John's Community Hall, 37 Glengall Grove, E14.
7538 3852

Ballroom/Latin American
Fri, 2-4pm, £2.50, 20p refreshments.
Kingsley Hall, Powis Road, E3.
8550 1392

Belly dancing
Beginners' belly dancing classes. Sats, 2-3pm, £6.
Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
07796 850506

Brazilian dance classes
Fri, 10.30-11.30am. Free.
Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove, E14.
7538 1714
www.danceartuk.com

Community dance
Free dance aerobics and fitness classes for people looking to get fit, beginners welcome.
Every Thurs, 5.45-6.45pm; every Fri, 11am-12pm.
Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove, E14.
7538 1714

DanceArt Project
Ballet for children every Thurs, 3-5 years, 4pm; ages 6-9, 5pm.
Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove E14 8LH.
07402 022736

Energize4Girlz
South African gumboot dancing. Every other Saturday from 11am-12:30pm.
St Pauls Shadwell Church, 302 The Highway, E1.
energize4girlzdance@gmail.com

Email details to eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Annual film festival fosters new talent

Oscar winner Robert Redford is president of the not-for-profit Sundance Institute and founded the film festival to foster independent and new voices in American film and theatre.

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A 1960s mirror dress from the London 2012 opening ceremony.

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Sundance rises in the east

BY TOM SHEEN

ONE of America's most popular and well-respected film festivals returns to London this week for its second year in the capital.

The Sundance Film Festival, hosted again at the O2 arena over the river in Greenwich, includes some of the best independent feature-length and short films, as well as boasting excellent music acts, and debate and discussion with leading lights of the film industry.

Founded by Hollywood star Robert Redford, it has been taking place in Utah since 1981, fostering new and independent film and theatre initially from America and now from around the world.

It has helped launch the career of many notable directors, including Quentin Tarantino, Steven Soderberg, Paul Thomas Anderson and Kevin Smith. Films such as Saw, The Blair Witch Project, Reservoir Dogs and Moon have gone on to huge commercial success after getting their first big break at Sundance.

Starting on Thursday, April 25, almost 30 films will be shown from a global spread of directors, 23 of which will be making their international, European or UK premieres at Sundance London inside the O2.

The films on show collectively received 12 awards when they premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in Utah.

Redford said: "We would hope for Sundance London to be another 'Sundance' experience – lively, culturally relevant and fun.

"We look forward to engaging with audiences as we discover new voices, new points of view and new perspectives."

Highlights of the festival include Matthew McConaughey's **Mud**, in which two youths stumble across a charismatic outlaw; **Metro Manila**, a Filipino crime epic; and **Blackfish**, a feature-length documentary about notorious killer whale Tilikum which is responsible for the death of three people.

Sundance Film Festival founder, Robert Redford

Festival director John Cooper said: "Building on the success of the first Sundance London, we again welcome the opportunity to engage with passionate and adventurous UK audiences and introduce them to the new work of independent film-makers."

Away from the silver screen **British Sea Power** and **Peaches** head a diverse musical line-up. A programme of discussions and panel Q&A sessions are planned, where audience members will get the chance to meet the creative team behind the Sundance Institute, chat with feature and documentary film makers and even offer advice on how to make films on a micro-budget.

"We created the Hub [where discussions will take place] as a hangout for our invited artists and London audiences to discuss their love of film and music," added John.

"These talks and musical performances, open to all Sundance London pass and ticket holders, add to the experience of the festival in exciting ways."

Other special events include **An Afternoon with David Arnold**, the award-winning composer best known for his work on five James Bond films, and a 'lab' for **aspiring screenwriters** to hone their talent.

Members of 1960s band The Eagles will take part in an extended Q&A following a screening of the documentary **History of the Eagles – Part One**, and comedian Jimmy Carr will take part in an extended **Q&A with Sleepwalk With Me director and writer Mike Birbiglia**.

Individual film tickets cost between £12.50 and £14, and there is a Superscreen pass that allows entry to all screenings, costing between £265 and £280; music performances cost different amounts.

Sundance London takes place at The O2 arena, Millennium Way, SE10 from Thursday to Sunday, April 25-28.

For more information, full listings information and to book tickets visit **www.sundance-london.com**

Singer Olivia Sebastianelli (left) will be performing at Sundance, as will British Sea Power

(From top) Metro Manilla; Running From Crazy; The Look of Love (starring Steve Coogan); Upstream

News in brief

Tom's trunks...

THE Museum of London's newest exhibition will revisit one of the most important periods in recent British history: the London 2012 Olympic Games.

More than 70 objects, costumes, kit and personal accounts make up the exhibition, with highlights including Tom Daley's diving trunks and the yellow jersey Bradley Wiggins wore for the opening ceremony.

Opening the Olympics is running now at the Museum of London, 150 London Wall, EC2. It is free and continues until the end of October. Visit **www.museumoflondon.org.uk**

Bangladesh day

LOCAL history and community organisation Brick Lane Circle will hold its third annual conference on Bangladesh this Saturday.

The Story of Bangladesh & Bangladeshi People, at Home and in the Diaspora is a conference to help improve understanding of Bangladesh and of Bangladeshis around the world.

The day of events includes lectures and debates from a diverse range of professors from Oxford, Manchester and Lisbon universities, a film and much more.

The conference takes place at Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road on Saturday, April 27 from 11am-7.30pm.

Dia del Nino fun day

THE V&A Museum of Childhood is introducing a long-standing Mexican tradition to Londoners.

Dia del Nino, or Children's Day, is a special occasion dedicated to children that also highlights the virtues they embody – innocence, imagination, inquisitiveness and light-heartedness.

There will be free, Mexican-themed activities including storytelling, dancing, a Pinata workshop and more.

Mexico's Children's Day takes place from 11am to 4.30pm on Saturday, April 27 and Sunday 28 at the V&A Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, Bethnal Green. Visit **www.museumofchildhood.org.uk**

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Eating out, eating in

Queue like cattle, but it is still well worth the wait

BY PORTLY PLOUGHMAN

"YOU don't come to Tayyabs for the service," remark my two dining companions, as we and several other pre-booked diners wait to be seated at the popular Whitechapel based Pakistani-Punjabi restaurant.

Despite our 24 hours advance booking, we wait half an hour before an abrupt waiter shows us to our seats.

By the time we are finally seated at 7pm, the queue is already stretching outside the front door and ten metres down the road.

This is to be expected at the restaurant that won the 2008 Indian Restaurant of the Year.

Since starting life as a local daytime café in 1975, Tayyabs quickly became synonymous with great value, unpretentious and authentic cooking.

Londoners and tourists alike come for classic Punjabi food with its mix of tandoori grills and kebabs, and spicy karahi based dishes.

The "bring your own" alcohol policy is the cherry on the cake.

To start my companions and I ordered the lamb chops, chicken tandoori and masala fish to share between us.

The four chops were served on a sizzling grill, and were tender, juicy and strongly infused with a blend of Punjabi spices, living up to their reputation as being the finest curried lamb chops in London.

The fish was light, and not overwhelmed by the refreshing spice mixture of ginger, masala and green chillies.

No sooner were we halfway through our starters than we were presented with our mains of lamb gosht, lamb karahi and karahi chicken keema, all ordered with pilau rice and garlic naans.

The lamb gosht was served with garlic, masala and green chillies which added a distinctive kick.

Packing a more fiery punch, the keema was a ground lamb dish cooked with red chillies, tomatoes, garlic and an undertone of ginger.

Again, no sooner were we done with our mains, and having declined dessert, we were presented with a reasonable bill of £64.65.

Tayyabs is tasty but chaotic

Yet Tayyabs is an acquired taste.

The restaurant is a well oiled business machine, and the turnover of customers is as ruthless as it is efficient, but the service was surly, impatient, rude and consistently awful.

The atmosphere is chaotic and can be uncomfortable.

Queuing is a mandatory part of the Tayyabs experience, though being herded like cattle will not suit everyone.

The food is still worth it, but the cult may be waning.

Tayyabs is at 83-89 Fieldgate St, E1 1JU.
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Ditch the crumble... bring on the cream

IT'S rhubarb season! The appearance of rhubarb at markets after long cold winters is always a cheerful sight. These beautiful bright pink stalks are most commonly used in pies and crumbles.

This indulgent pudding, by Cheryl Cohen, of London Farmers' Markets, is a delicious alternative way of preparing this old English favourite.

Rhubarb and orange Eton mess – serves 4-6

Ingredients

500g rhubarb
1 orange
25g caster sugar
300ml double cream
1-2 tsp orange flower water
For the meringue:
3 egg whites
170g caster sugar
Rind of one orange

Method

1. Preheat your oven to 150C. Have ready a baking sheet lined either with greaseproof paper or non stick silicone.

2. Wash and trim the rhubarb. Cut into finger length chunks and place in a non-metallic ovenproof dish. Finely grate the rind of the orange and set aside. Halve the orange and squeeze the juice over the rhubarb. Sprinkle over the sugar, cover with foil and place in oven for about 15 minutes. Keep an eye on it, you want the rhubarb soft, but not disintegrating.

3. Take out of the oven and leave to cool. Turn the oven to 120C.

4. For the meringue, put the egg whites in a scrupulously clean bowl and whisk until the mixture stands in stiff peaks. Add half the sugar and whisk again till shiny, whisk in the rest of the sugar and the orange rind.

5. Use a tablespoon to create a circle of meringue on the baking sheet. Don't worry about the shape too much.

6. Place in oven for about an hour. If it goes brown, your oven is too hot and the sugar has caramelised, but don't worry, it will still taste fine. Turn off the oven. Leave the meringue in it with the door open to help it dry.

7. Whip the cream until it forms soft peaks. Add the orange flower water a teaspoon at a time. Break up the meringue. Gently fold the rhubarb and meringue into the cream, allowing the rhubarb to keep its shape.

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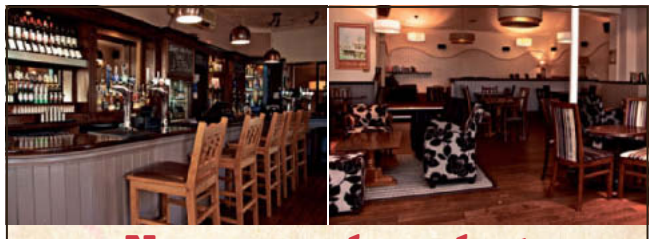

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Fire Brigade spreads the word

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London Fire Brigade has published a photo of some burnt hair straighteners (below) on its Facebook page, which went viral and has now been seen by 4.3 million people.

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Disrupted lives

Kipper Project supports young people who have been in the care system, have been homeless or are fleeing abuse.

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MORE than 100 residents of Tower Hamlets Community Housing (THCH) saw in Bengali New Year with a celebration in Shadwell on April 15.
Guests were treated to an afternoon of entertainment which included Bollywood dancers (pictured above), traditional songs by Bengali singer Hashi Begum, lunch and games.
The event, which was sponsored by THCH's contractor Pro Team, featured a musical performance by the speaker of the council, Cllr Rajib Ahmed, who joined Hashi singing a number of traditional songs while playing the harmonium.
Shamim Hossain, senior community development officer for THCH, said: "It was lovely to see such a mix of residents come together to celebrate Bengali New Year. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day, especially the impromptu Bollywood dance lessons."

Beware 'beauty blazes' at home

BY LARAINE CLAY

LONDON Fire Brigade is reminding residents about the dangers of leaving hair dryers, hair straighteners and tongs switched on.

Firefighters are called to a 'beauty blaze' every fortnight across the capital caused by this sort of electrical equipment, vanity mirrors and bathroom candles.

Tom George, the brigade's acting deputy head of community safety, said: "Whether it's candles used during a bath or straighteners used in the morning, people need to make sure they include fire safety in their beauty routines.

"Many of the straighteners available today can reach temperatures of over 200 degrees Celsius – which is hotter than the oil in a deep fat fryer – so it's vital that people take care."

He added: "Candles are popular in the bathroom, but if they're not placed on a heat-proof surface, they can melt through your bath or toilet. This is especially important with tea lights, which get very hot on the bottom."

A fire in Harrow last week caused severe damage to a terraced house and is believed to have been caused by a hairdryer which was left on a bed.

Straighteners can reach temperatures of over 200°C

It heated up the bedding which then caught fire, and quickly spread to the rest of the room.

Brigade figures revealed that 165 fires in the last five years have been caused by beauty habits.

Vanity or shaving mirrors can cause fires when in direct sunlight as they can magnify the sun's rays, which can concentrate heat and ignite fabric such as curtains and carpets nearby.

In one incident a can of hairspray was left too near a candle, which caused it to heat up and explode.

The brigade's top three tips for avoiding a 'beauty blaze' are:

- **Remember** to switch off hairdryers, hair tongs and straighteners and leave them to cool on a heat-proof surface, such as a cork mat.
- **Keep** shaving or make up mirrors away from direct sunlight, along with any canisters, such as deodorant or hairspray.
- **Place** candles on a surface that cannot melt or catch fire, such as a ceramic plate. Always blow them out when you leave the room, and never leave them burning without supervision.

Homeless charity's website goes live

A CHARITY that provides accommodation and support for vulnerable young people who are homeless or in housing need has launched a new website.

Developed with members of the information technology team at global financial services company Credit Suisse, the Kipper Project website – **www.kipperproject.org.uk** – went online last month.

It has all the latest social media feeds and will enable the project to communicate quickly with tenants and also to showcase the achievements of young people, such as successes in volunteering, qualifications and community work.

Kevin Ireland, chair of the Kipper Project, said: "We're delighted to see how the partnership with Credit Suisse's IT team has come to fruition and we're extremely grateful to the team for their commitment to the project."

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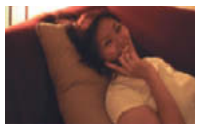

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Accessible Category F
BERNARD HOUSE, TOYNBEE STREET, E1
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Property is in congestion zone • Pets not permitted

£113.74, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes
Property Ref: 26848

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
WOODSTOCK TERRACE, E14
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Basement • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted

£107.59, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Genesis Housing Association
Property Ref: 26857

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
JOHN RENNIE WALK, E1W
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£117.22, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26839

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
GODLEY VC HOUSE, DIGBY STREET, E2
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted
Preference will be given to Housing Moves applicants

£108.46, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26840

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
GEORGE LANSBURY HOUSE, BOW ROAD, E3
Flat • 1 Bed 1 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Check heating on viewing • No garden • Pets permitted

£100.97, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26838

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
ESK HOUSE, BRITISH STREET, E3
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£113.83, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes
Property Ref: 26853

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BARNARDO GARDENS, BARNARDO STREET, E1
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 6th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£140.45, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing
Property Ref: 26854

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
FAIRFIELD, REDMANS ROAD, E1
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£111.51, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Southern Housing Group
Property Ref: 26852

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
ANSELL HOUSE, MILE END ROAD, E1
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£135.02, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26860

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
CASSON HOUSE, HANBURY STREET, E1
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted
Preference will be given to Housing Moves applicants

£115.93, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26847

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BRASSEY HOUSE, CAHIR STREET, E14
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£127.42, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes
Property Ref: 26836

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
ACHILLES HOUSE, OLD BETHNAL GREEN ROAD, E2
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£131.44, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing
Property Ref: 26850

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
USHER ROAD, E3
Maisonette • 2 Bed 3 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility : Homeless Permanent

£121.71, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26842

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
MOCHA COURT, TAYLOR PLACE, E3
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted

£158.60, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EAST HOMES
Property Ref: 26866

3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
HARPLEY SQUARE, E1
Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Check garden on viewing • Pets permitted

£137.23, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26846

3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BRION PLACE, E14
Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£151.01, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA
Property Ref: 26837

3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
ROBERTA STREET, E2
Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£130.35, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council
Property Ref: 26855

3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
WHITETHORN STREET, E3
Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£147.16, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA
Property Ref: 26862

4 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category C
GEOFFREY WOOLEY HOUSE, POLLARD STREET, E2
Flat • 4 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • Private garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted

£0.00, Rent to be advised
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing
Property Ref: 26859

For more detailed information about the following adverts please visit the Homeseekers website at **www.thhs.org.uk**

AFFORDABLE RENT PROPERTIES

Changes to Government policy mean that Housing Associations have been forced to charge higher rents on some properties. In addition not all tenancies will be tenancies for life.

PLEASE NOTE THE RENT LEVEL AND LENGTH OF TENANCY OFFERED ON THE FOLLOWING HOMES. YOU ARE ADVISED TO CHECK THE HOMESEEKERS WEBSITE AT www.thhs.org.uk FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

Category F
PEABODY BUILDINGS BLOCK H, JOHN FISHER STREET, E1
Flat • 1 Bed 1 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted
5 Year Fixed Term Tenancy

£176.30, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 26858

Category G
PLESSEY BUILDING, DOD STREET, E14
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted

£131.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Spitalfields HA

Property Ref: 26864

Accessible Category G
BRADBEER HOUSE, CORNWALL AVENUE, E2
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted
5 Year Fixed Term Tenancy

£185.11, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Affinity Sutton

Property Ref: 26861

Accessible Category G
ARMAGH ROAD, E3

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 5th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted
5 Year Fixed Term Tenancy

Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

£150.84, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: OLD FORD HA

Property Ref: 26863

Accessible Category F
OLLERTON GREEN, E3

Maisonette • 3 Bed 6 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted
5 Year Fixed Term Tenancy

£210.13, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: OLD FORD HA

Property Ref: 26845

Accessible Category F
DALO LODGE, GALE STREET, E3
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£169.85, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association
Property Ref: 26856

TMO's Tenant Management Organisations

Tenant management organisations (TMOs) are formed when tenants decide they want to take over the management of their homes. TMOs usually take the form of either a Tenant Management Co-operative (TMC) or an Estate Management Board (EMB).

When a TMO take over the management of an estate the Council still owns the homes and the tenants keep the same rights as other Council tenants.

Should you move to a property managed by a Tenant Management Organisation (TMO) you may be expected to contribute to the day to day running of the block & estate.

TMO responsibilities can vary, but may include:

- organising repairs
- deciding on caretaking and estate cleaning priorities
- collecting rent and managing arrears
- employing and managing staff and contractors
- looking after public gardens and other shared areas
- controlling any estate improvements
- providing advice and support to tenants.

Please be aware of this when bidding for a Tenant Management Organisation (TMO) property.

Reminder

Please respect people's privacy by not attempting to access advertised properties or knocking at neighbouring homes. This causes a nuisance and may distress some individuals.

Permit Transfer Scheme: for residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes

The Mayor of Tower Hamlets introduced the new Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS) to operate from 5 September 2011 to help to reduce the levels of overcrowding in social rented housing in the borough. The PTS helps some families move to larger social rented car free homes by allowing them to retain one on-street resident car parking permit, subject to the PTS criteria as outlined below being met. The PTS is a change in the operation of the Council's existing on-street Residents' Parking Permit Scheme.

CAR FREE HOMES No on-street residents' parking permits issued

The Council's 'car free homes' planning policy was introduced in Tower Hamlets in the late 1990s to help reduce traffic congestion and better manage the limited supply of on-street parking spaces. This initiative also helps to reduce the level of air pollution from motor vehicles and encourages more people to walk, cycle and go by public transport.

The Transport for London (TfL) Cycle Hire scheme (www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling) and local pay-as-you-go car clubs (www.carplus.org.uk) are also now available in Tower Hamlets to help you get around in healthier, greener ways.

If you live in a car free home, you will not be able to apply for on-street residents' car parking permits, unless you hold a disabled driver's blue badge or are eligible under the Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS), which is targeted at social rented housing residents. The criteria for the PTS is as follows:

1. applies to residents moving to **3** bedroom or larger social rented car free homes;

2. only one on-street resident parking permit per household is permitted;

3. you must have held your on-street car parking permit for at least 1 year prior to moving home;

4. your on-street parking permit must be renewed and **not lapse to remain eligible** under the scheme;

5. the tenant is responsible for providing proof of PTS eligibility to Parking Services (including a duly signed and dated Tower Hamlets Homes or housing association approved tenancy agreement); and

6. the PTS was introduced on (and operates from) 5 September 2011 by Tower Hamlets Council and **is not retrospective**.

Residents in car free homes can apply for a temporary parking permit for visiting trades people for £5 a day. To qualify, written proof of the work to be carried out must be provided, along with the vehicle's details. Each home can apply for a maximum of 20 one-day-permits within a 6 month period.

Alternatively, scratchcards are available for trades people and visitors, providing parking for up to five hours on weekdays and all day on weekends. Households can apply for up to 3 books of 10 scratchcards per year. For permit charges and information, visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parking

St Edmund's Catholic Primary School
Headteacher Ms Gail O'Flaherty
A Tower Hamlets School

We are looking for a School Premises Manager

You should have an excellent work ethic, be highly motivated and be consistently focused on maintaining a safe learning environment for our children, staff and school community. Above all you should have a positive outlook!

School Premises Manager

for St Edmund's Catholic Primary School
Salary Scale 6, Spine Point 26-28 (£25,520 - £27,007)

We can offer:
- a strong staff team, great children and supportive parents
- a well maintained environment both inside and out
- good professional development opportunities
- essential car user allowance

You will have:
- the ability to undertake routine maintenance of the premises
- good spoken and written English, some IT skills and be numerate to a good standard
- the skills to manage a school building project
- the ability to offer a specific skill such as plumbing, carpentry or decorating
- the ability to drive, with a valid driving license
- proven ability to organise and manage a diverse workload
- experience of being a pro-active member of staff
- a reliable and trustworthy character

Successful candidates will be asked to apply for an Enhanced Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly the CRB).

For an application pack please phone Joanna Hannan, School Business Manager, at the school. A signed and printed copy must be returned to the address below.

Applications must be returned by May 8th. Interview date is May 21st. Please note only successful, short-listed candidates will be informed after May 10th.

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
299 Westferry Road, London E14 3RS
T: 020 7987 2546 **F:** 020 7538 0332
E: admin@st-edmunds.towerhamlets.sch.uk

St Edmund's Catholic School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff, volunteers and external agencies to share this commitment.

To reserve your space in East End Life, please call us to book by midday on the Tuesday prior to the Sunday publication date.

eastendlife

Career Opportunities

TOWER HAMLETS

All boroughs are unique. Many are vibrant and multicultural. Some have a rich historical background. Others have a modern edge. Tower Hamlets is all of these - it's got the TH buzz that's felt by those who live and work here....

Family Centre Social Worker x4

£31,152 - £40,506 per annum

Education, Social Care and Wellbeing Directorate
Ref: CSF00366
Closing date: 28.04.13

For more information and to apply for these and other career opportunities, please visit the Tower Hamlets website.

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/careers

We shall ensure fairness and equal opportunities throughout our workforce and in service delivery. We welcome applications from suitably skilled candidates regardless of ethnicity, gender, disability, sexuality, religion or age.

POSITIVE ABOUT DISABLED PEOPLE · INVESTORS IN PEOPLE · Stonewall TOP 100 EMPLOYERS 2013

Swanlea School
Business and Enterprise College
31 Brady Street, London E1 5DJ
Website: swanlea.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Numeracy Tutors (4 posts)
Literacy Tutors (2 posts)

We require candidates with a good honours degree, ideally in Mathematics or English and with GCSE passes (A*-C) in both Maths and English and a relevant A Level.

35 hours per week Term Time only
Commencing September 2013-Permanent
Salary Scale 4 starting at £17521 p.a.

You will be providing support for learning in order to raise achievement for all pupils, encouraging them to become independent learners. You will be required to work one to one with individual students and with small groups both within the classroom and in groups outside the classroom. This is an excellent opportunity for those considering teaching as a career to gain valuable insights and experience into the way pupils learn.

We are looking for
- highly motivated individuals
- and, it would be an advantage if you already have some experience of working with young people.

To apply please access:
https://www.teshirewire.com/SwanleaSchool/E15DJ

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Closing date: 7th May 2013 at 9am

Sheringham Primary School
learning in harmony

Sheringham Primary School

Sheringham Avenue, Manor Park
London E12 5PB
Tel: 020 8478 4244
Email: info@sheringham-pri.newham.sch.uk
www.sheringhamprimaryschool.com

The school is going through exciting times with the expansion of the school and a brand new building. Due to this there will be a need for more staff as soon as possible. We are a popular, successful school dedicated to learning. We can offer you a welcoming and hardworking staff, friendly children and supportive parents. You would be part of a highly valued support staff that makes a significant contribution towards our calm and effective school.

TEACHING ASSISTANT

32.5 hours per week - Unqualified £12,836inc, per annum
Qualified £13,616inc, per annum

The successful candidate will have:-
- Enthusiasm and commitment to making a difference to pupil progress and behaviour
- Previous experience of working with children on a one to one basis, in small groups, or working as a class based Teaching Assistant or with children with Special Educational needs is desirable

NURSERY NURSE

32.5 hours per week (Term Time Only) £18,915 – £20,877inc, p.a. (salary dependant on experience)

Successful candidates will:-
- have experience of working with children aged 3 – 5
- hold an NVQ3 or equivalent
- be imaginative and creative
- be prepared to support pupils learning indoors and outdoors
- have bags of energy and enthusiasm

Closing date for applications is Friday 10th May 2013.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed.
Please call Anne Simmonds to arrange.

Application form and further details please apply online at www.newham.gov.uk

Sheringham Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A full CRB disclosure is required and this can be applied for once a job offer is made.

Public notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

LICENSING ACT 2003

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT: Mad in London Ltd has applied to London Borough of Tower Hamlets Licensing Authority for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises	The Princess Alice 40 Commercial Street London E1 6LP
The Proposed	Use of the roof area for licensable activities covered under premises licence

Variation is:

Anyone who wishes to make representations regarding this application must give notice in writing to:
The Licensing Section, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Mulberry Place (AH), PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 1BY.
Website: www.towerhamlets.gov.uk
Tel: 020 7364 5008

Representations must be received no later than: 15/05/13

The Application Record and Register may be viewed between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday during normal office hours at the above address.

It is an offence under Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is up to level 5 on the standard scale (£5000).

To place your jobs or training advert in East End Life, call
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Laura on 7364 0946
Chris on 7364 4994

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Public&Legal Notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990, SECTIONS 10, 67 AND 73

APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY AFFECT THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A CONSERVATION AREA OR WOULD AFFECT THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

Unit 506, Metropolitan Wharf Building, 70 Wapping Wall, London, E1W 3SS — **PA/13/759/MCH**
Proposed to add two removable glass walls and small removable gib board insert to our unit to create a conference room.

68 To 72, Settles Street, London — **PA/13/482/AWA**
Loft conversion to top floor flat with rear dormer at numbers 68, 70 and 72.

115 Wellington Row, London, E2 7BN — **PA/13/741/AWA**
Third floor roof extension

15 - 19 Rigden Street, London E14 6DJ — **PA/13/188/SAE**
Roof extension to create an additional two storeys to create two additional flats including retaining the existing three flats.

136-142 Whitechapel Road, London — **PA/13/764 & 765/AWA**
Change of use from existing Ancillary storage area to upper floors of 136-142 Whitechapel Road to create 6 No. flats and 1 No. bed-sit. Addition of part 1st and 2nd floor extension and two new floors.

689 Commercial Road, London, E14 7LF — **PA/13/00773 & PA/13/00774/IOL**
Repair of existing Grade II Listed 4 storey Terraced House following extensive fire damage and reinstatement of the property to a 4 bed 7 person family dwelling.

Dockmasters House, 1 Hertsmere Road, London, E14 8JJ — **PA/13/00800 & PA/13/00801/IOL**
Erection of a tented enclosure for 'Al- Fresco' dining on land adjoining the Dockmasters House.

11-31 Toynbee Street and 65-67 Commercial Street, London E1 7NE — **PA/11/2305 and PA/11/2306/BE**
Demolition of the existing buildings on site and redevelopment to provide a ground plus part two, part three, part four storey building comprising 5 commercial units at ground for flexible A1/A2/B1 use, 1 commercial unit at ground for flexible A1/A2/A3/B1 use and 21 residential units on upper floors and other works incidential to the application (5 x 1 bed, 11 x 2 bed, 2 x 3 bed and 1 x 4 bed). AMENDED DESCRIPTION FOLLOWING AMENDED PLANS.

THE FOLLOWING ARE HOUSEHOLDER APPLICATIONS AND IN THE EVENT OF AN APPEAL AGAINST A REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION, WHICH IS TO BE DEALT WITH ON THE BASIS OF REPRESENTATIONS IN WRITING, ANY REPRESENTATIONS MADE ABOUT THESE APPLICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AND THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AT APPEAL STAGE.

41 Barnes Street, London, E14 7NW — **PA/13/883/LB**
Modification and extension of existing ground floor outrigger to rear of mid-terrace house - increasing area of ground floor plan by 8.65sqm associated minor internal alterations.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.
Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated: 22nd April 2013

OWEN WHALLEY
Head of Planning and Building Control

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Public&Legal Notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

MAJOR APPLICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 13(4)) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 2010 AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT APPLICATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

25-77 Knapp Road, London, E3 4BP — **PA/13/00465/NAS**
Application for variation of a conditions 2 (approved plans) of planning permission dated 30/03/2012, reference number PA/11/03388.

25-77 Knapp Road, London, E3 4BP — **PA/13/00464/NAS**
Application for removal or variation of conditions 6 (cycle store) and 7 (refuse arrangement) of planning permission dated 30/03/2012, reference number PA/11/03388.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 14 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated 22nd April 2013

OWEN WHALLEY
Head of Planning & Building Control

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

Neighbourhood Planning local consultation

Application to establish a Neighbourhood Planning Forum and Area by 'network Wapping'

1. THE LOCALISM ACT (2011) enables interested groups to apply to the Council to establish a Neighbourhood Planning Forum and Neighbourhood Planning Area. The Act and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (2012) provide the legal framework for establishing these elements. The legal framework is supported by the Tower Hamlets Neighbourhood Planning Guidance.
2. THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS hereby gives notice that on 1st April 2013, the Council received an application from 'network Wapping' to designate a Neighbourhood Planning Forum and Neighbourhood Planning Area for the wider area of Wapping. The Council views the application to include the necessary information required by legislation and local guidance for the Council to determine the application. If the Council designates the Forum and Area, no other application is able to be made for that area until the designation expires or is withdrawn.
3. A COPY OF THE APPLICATION MATERIAL may be inspected free of charge from **22 April to 4 June 2013** at the following locations:
   - on the Council's website (www.towerhamlets.gov.uk)
   - at the Tower Hamlets Town Hall planning reception
   - in the Watney Market Idea Store (from 14th May)
   - at St. Georges Pools
4. The focus of the consultation is on people who live, work or carry out business in the proposed Neighbourhood Planning Area for Wapping. Responses from individuals or groups in other locations are also welcome. Written responses should be made prior to **midnight on 4 June 2013**. Responses should be sent to **ldf@towerhamlets.gov.uk** or to:

   FREEPOST RRBK – TZER – UTAU
   Neighbourhood Planning Consultation
   Strategic Planning – Plan Making
   London Borough of Tower Hamlets, PO BOX 55739, London E14 2BG

For further information on neighbourhood planning search the web for 'Tower Hamlets Neighbourhood Planning' or visit the Council's website
www.towerhamlets.gov.uk

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Laura on 7364 0946
Fatima on 7364 4623
Christine on 7364 4994

PUBLIC CONSULTATION: REVISED DRAFT PLANNING OBLIGATIONS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

The Council has prepared a revised draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document for consultation. It explains how the Council will use planning obligations to ensure that the impacts of new development are properly mitigated if a Tower Hamlets Community Infrastructure Levy is adopted.

This document can be viewed on the Council's website: **www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/cil** and at the locations listed below:

Documents can be inspected at:

- Tower Hamlets Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BG
- Idea Store Bow, 1 Gladstone Place, Roman Road, Bow, London E3 5ES
- Idea Store Canary Wharf, Churchill Place, London E14 5RB
- Idea Store Chrisp Street, 1 Vesey Path East India Dock Road, London E14 6BT
- Idea Store Whitechapel, 321 Whitechapel Road, London E1 1BU
- Bethnal Green Library, Cambridge Heath Road, London E2 0HL
- Cubitt Town Library, Strattondale Street, London E14 3HG

How to make Comments

Tower Hamlets Council will be carrying out consultation between 5pm Monday 22nd April 2013 and 5pm Wednesday 5th June 2013.

Comments should be made electronically or in writing in the following ways:

Email: **cil@towerhamlets.gov.uk**

Post: Infrastructure Planning Team
London Borough of Tower Hamlets
Mulberry Place
PO Box 55739
5 Clove Crescent
London E14 1BY

Representations can also be made through a designated online consultation portal which is available through the website listed above.

More Information

To find out more come along to a consultation event: -

- Wednesday 1st May 2013, Chrisp Street Market Idea Store from 1PM to 6PM
- Monday 3rd June 2013, Room MP701, Town Hall, Mulberry Place from 4PM to 8PM

Alternatively, for more information contact the Council's Infrastructure Planning team on 020 7364 2343 or by email: cil@towerhamlets.gov.uk

PUBLIC CONSULTATION: COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) Tower Hamlets Council has published a Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule. This has been prepared in accordance with the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) and the Planning Act 2008 (as amended).

The Draft Charging Schedule and supporting documents are available for inspection on the Council's website: **www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/cil** and at the locations listed below:

Documents can be inspected at:

- Tower Hamlets Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BG
- Idea Store Bow, 1 Gladstone Place, Roman Road, Bow, London E3 5ES
- Idea Store Canary Wharf, Churchill Place, London E14 5RB
- Idea Store Chrisp Street, 1 Vesey Path East India Dock Road, London E14 6BT
- Idea Store Whitechapel, 321 Whitechapel Road, London E1 1BU
- Bethnal Green Library, Cambridge Heath Road, London E2 0HL
- Cubitt Town Library, Strattondale Street, London E14 3HG

Submission of Representations

The Council is inviting representations on the Draft Charging Schedule between 5pm Monday 22nd April 2013 and 5pm Wednesday 5th June 2013.

Representations should be made electronically or in writing in the following ways:

Email: **cil@towerhamlets.gov.uk**

Post: Infrastructure Planning Team, London Borough of Tower Hamlets
Mulberry Place, PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 1BY

Representations can also be made through a designated online consultation portal which is available through the website listed above.

Requests for the following may accompany any representation made in relation to the consultation on the above stated documents: -

- Notification of when the CIL Draft Charging Schedule has been submitted for an examination in public.
- To be heard at the CIL examination in public.
- Notification of recommendations made by an examiner at the CIL examination in public and the reasons for the recommendations made.
- Notification of approval of the CIL Charging Schedule by the Council.

More Information

To find out more come along to a consultation event: -

- Wednesday 1st May 2013, Chrisp Street Market Idea Store from 1PM to 6PM
- Monday 3rd June 2013, Room MP701, Town Hall, Mulberry Place from 4PM to 8PM

Alternatively, for more information or copies of the documents contact the Council's Infrastructure Planning team on 020 7364 2343/4778 or by email to: cil@towerhamlets.gov.uk

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – BRUSHFIELD STREET E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Brushfield Street for a distance of approximately 30 metres between its junction with Fort Street and its junction with Steward Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential works to be carried out on the public highway by Keltbray Limited.

The alternative routes will be via Crispin Street, Artillery Lane and Fort Street or Gun Street, Artillery Lane and Fort Street or Fort Street, Artillery Lane and Steward Street.

Throughout the duration of the works, and at times when the "no entry" traffic signs are covered, the existing one way working in Artillery Lane between its junction with Fort Street and its junction with Steward Street will be temporarily suspended.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate for four consecutive weekends on the following dates at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002:

- Saturday 27th April and Sunday 28th April 2013;
- Saturday 4th May and Sunday 5th May 2013;
- Saturday 11th May and Sunday 12th May 2013;
- Saturday 18th May and Sunday 19th May 2013

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Charlie Harrison, Street Works Liaison Officer, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6671 or email, charlie.harrison@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 22nd April 2013

Jamie Blake
Service Head, Public Realm
Anchorage House, 2 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSALS

BOW SCHOOL - PROPOSED EXPANSION AND CHANGE OF CHARACTER TO ADMIT BOYS AND GIRLS

Notice is given in accordance with section 19 (1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that London Borough of Tower Hamlets intends to make prescribed alterations to Bow School, Paton Close, Fairfield Road, London E3 2QD from 1 September 2014. Bow School is a community school.

The proposals are:

i. to change the character of the school to admit boys and girls
ii. to enlarge the premises to increase the admission number from 125 to 270

The proposals will be implemented by relocating the school to a new site at Bow Lock, 44 Twelvetrees Crescent, E3 3QW to provide the larger premises.

The current capacity of the school is 697 and the proposed capacity will be 1350 for years 7-11. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 529 (in January 2013). The proposed admission number for the school will be 270.

The additional pupils, both boys and girls, will be admitted to year 7 only until all year groups have reached the increased number.

A complete copy of the proposal can be obtained by contacting Pat Watson (tel: 020 7364 4328) or pat.watson@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Within six weeks from the date of publication of these proposals (by 31 May 2013), any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Corporate Director, Education, Social Care & Wellbeing, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, London E14 2BG, attn: Pat Watson.

SIGNED **ANNE CANNING**
Interim Corporate Director,
Education, Social Care & Wellbeing

DATED **22 April 2013**

Explanatory Notes

Transitional admission arrangements will apply as follows:

For four years from September 2014, girls will only be admitted at Year 7 until the year groups have both girls and boys. The Year 7 places will be designated equally with 135 places for girls and 135 places for boys. The places will be filled in this priority order:

- Pupils who apply from each gender will be considered in accordance with banding arrangements and the admissions criteria for community schools up to a maximum of 135 places for boys and 135 places for girls. This may mean that some pupils may be initially refused a place because the target number for that gender has been filled.
- Any places remaining after national offer day and applications received outside the normal point of entry will be filled in accordance with the admission criteria regardless of gender.
- After September 2018, the school will operate the normal admission arrangements for community schools in Tower Hamlets.

Public notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MANAGING DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENT ADOPTION

The Council is pleased to announce that the London Borough of Tower Hamlets' Managing Development Document (MDD) was formally adopted by Full Council on 17 April 2013. The adopted Core Strategy and Managing Development Document now form the Council's Local Plan.

The Council would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has participated in the preparation of the document.

In accordance with Regulation 26 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, an Adoption Statement has been published to provide further information on the adoption of the Managing Development Document.

Any person aggrieved by the decision to adopt the MDD may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 on the grounds that:

- the document is not within the appropriate power; and/or
- a procedural requirement has not been complied with.

The application must be made promptly and in any event no later than 6 weeks after the date on which the MDD was adopted, which is **30 May 2013**.

Copies of the Managing Development Document and associated adoption material may be inspected free of charge at the following locations during normal office hours:

- on the Council's website (www.towerhamlets.gov.uk)
- at the Tower Hamlets Town Hall planning reception
- at Idea Stores and Libraries

Please contact the Plan Making Team with any queries at:

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020 7364 5009

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 23

PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
GREATOREX STREET E1

The Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets is considering a proposal to provide a Zebra Crossing in Greatorex Street, approximately three metres north of the junction of Chicksand Street.

The crossing and its associated zig-zags will require the removal of two (No.) separate sections of double yellow lines totalling approximately eleven metres in length on Greatorex Street fronting Greatorex House.

A plan showing the layout of the crossing and associated zig-zag carriageway markings can be inspected, by appointment, during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until Tuesday 14th May 2013, at the Council offices, Anchorage House, 2 Clove Crescent, E14, by telephoning 0207 364 6529.

Any representations regarding the crossing should be sent to Moira Underwood, either by email (moira.underwood@towerhamlets.gov.uk) or to the address below by Tuesday 14th May 2013.

Dated: 22nd April 2013

Jamie Blake, Service Head, Public Realm
Transport & Highways, Mulberry Place (AH),
PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 1BY

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

LICENSING ACT 2003

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT: Fareford Ltd has applied to London Borough of Tower Hamlets Licensing Authority for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises: 201 East India Dock Road, Poplar E14 0ED

The licensable activities and timings are:
Late night refreshments 23:00 – 02:00

Anyone who wishes to make representations regarding this application must give notice in writing to: The Licensing Section, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Mulberry Place (AH), PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 1BY.

Website: www.towerhamlets.gov.uk Tel: 020 7364 5008

Representations must be received no later than:16/05/13

The Application Record and Register may be viewed between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday during normal office hours at the above address.

It is an offence under Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is up to level 5 on the standard scale (£5000).

CONTRACT TITLE: EXTRA CARE SHELTERED HOUSING

REFERENCE: AHWB4378

The London Borough of Tower Hamlets (LBTH) is seeking expressions of interest from interested organisations for the above services and / or goods.

Description:
The London Borough of Tower Hamlets is seeking Expressions of Interest from organisations to provide the care and support element in four extra care sheltered housing schemes for older people (65+) with potential for a smaller number of tenants from other service areas, including learning disability, mental health and physical disability.

It is anticipated that the service will start in February 2014, and the contract will run for three years. The tender is for care provision and includes Housing Management Support. The schemes are located in Mile End (41 units), Shadwell (40 units), Bow (40 units) and Poplar (40 units).

Potential providers must be able to demonstrate a strong record of partnership working and the ability to provide high quality personal and social care, supporting and maintaining individuals living in their own self-contained flats.

The provider must have a proven track record of support in this service area, be financially viable and be able to provide a cost-effective service. The criteria for award of this contract will be based on the most economically advantageous tender, covering price, quality and a demonstrable ability to provide a service sensitive to this vulnerable group of service users.

The Contract requires the provider to pay the London Living Wage and offer employment to local people where possible. If a new provider is identified, TUPE will apply.

This contract is for four hours of care per tenant per week, 52 weeks of the year, for 161 individuals, with an additional 12 hours (three hours per scheme) per week "floating" hours to ensure handovers etc. Any additional hours will be purchased by the individual through a personal budget and from a provider of their choice - not necessarily the provider on site.

A supplier briefing will take place on **Monday 29 April from 10am-12noon**. Please contact Akbal Ahmed on 0207 364 2196 or akbal.ahmed@towerhamlets.gov.uk for further information and to register for the event.

The anticipated contract start date is 01 February 2014. The value of the contract is estimated to be between £480,000 - £520,000 per year for a period of 3 years.

Organisations wishing to express their interest are requested to register on the London Tenders Portal via the link below, where the tender documentation will be available for download. You may be required to complete a Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ). Please allow sufficient time to register (at least 1 working day). Failure to submit a satisfactory response to PQQ will result in exclusion from the tender process. The Council accepts no liability whatsoever for expressions of interest that are not received due to internet connectivity issues, transmission delays or errors.

The PQQ will be uploaded on the Council's e-tendering system after the closing date of expressions of interest

LBTH uses the e-tendering system, the London Tenders Portal, which is free of charge to suppliers and providers. (Double-click links on this page or **copy and paste** to your web browser)

https://www.londontenders.org/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_home?openForm

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Deadline for expressing interest and return of PQQ is:

Date: Friday 31 May 2013
Time: 12 noon

LBTH is an Equal Opportunities Employer and a supporter of Ethical Governance, our protocol can be found here along with Guidance to Suppliers and Providers. Or via:
http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgsl/801-850/828_tenders_and_contracts/guidance_to_suppliers_and.aspx

LBTH does not undertake to invite all applicants or bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. LBTH will not be liable for any costs incurred in tendering for this contract.

If you require any further information please contact: Jay Bains on 020 7364 4015 or via email at: procurement@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Please ensure you quote AHWB 4378 visibly on all correspondence.

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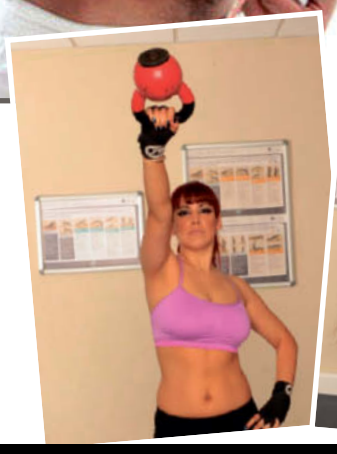

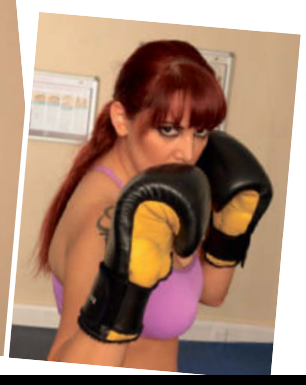

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New sponsor for ladies rugby

Millwall's ladies rugby team, Venus, have clinched a sponsorship deal with the Canary Wharf Group. Development officer Sophie Morris, left, said this will make a real difference.

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Ruqsana beaten

Ruqsana Begum's muay Thai world title bid ended in defeat last week – even though she was ahead on points.

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Farewell to Rockman as Millwall celebrate

BY TOM SHEEN

MILLWAL Rugby club ended their season with a stylish 31-10 victory over bottom club Burnham at Millwall Park.

With veteran prop Jamie Rockman hanging up his boots at the end of this season, Millwall were determined to impress in his last ever appearance for the club.

The game was a physical encounter, but the Millwall backline had the greater pace and skill and soon took advantage.

Fly half Andy Long dictated proceedings the whole afternoon and was rewarded with a try, before setting one up for outside back Mike Owens.

Millwall captain Tom Ronayne also got in on the act after a superb pass by scrum-half Iwan Thomas, before Millwall's leading try scorer, Matt Hopkins, added his 15th score of the season.

Burnham kept battling away and were eventually rewarded for their efforts with a try five minutes before the end.

Despite the win Millwall were waiting on other results to determine whether they would stay in Essex League One or be relegated.

"It was great to get a win for Jamie in his last game, he has been a real asset for the club and it will be a big loss not to have him on the park," said Millwall coach Dave Roberts.

"However, there are a few of the younger guys stepping up, so I have full confidence that this club will progress next year."

Ronayne added: "Despite the conditions the backline played some great rugby.

"It's nice to finish the season on a win and now we can now look to next season in a positive manner."

Canary Wharf Group have been announced as a new sponsor for Millwall's ladies team, Venus.

"Venus entered a competitive league for the first time this year and are keen to keep progressing," said Millwall's development officer, Sophie Morris.

Tom Ronayne on the attack against Burnham

"Canary Wharf's contribution to this developing part of the game is exactly what we need to achieve this.

"It's support will help us make a real difference to the contribution we can make to sport and fitness in the local community."

Mighty atom in bid for rematch

From back page

"In the fourth round I took a shot. I was fine and I was ready to go on, but I think my corner got scared and they chucked in the towel. I was devastated.

"Even if I'd have lost that last round I would have won because I had such strong rounds in the first four, I'm sure they would have given it to me.

"But I guess it's just not meant to be."

Begum is the current British champion at atomweight and has put in a number of good showings at recent world and European championships.

Far from being caught cold or getting hurt by the punch, Begum felt just a moment of weakness – enough for Judd to give up the title to protect his fighter.

"I became a bit dazed for a second and my coach picked that up," added Begum.

"But I was beating her with ease. I knocked her down in the second round and, they underestimated me.

"It's just unfortunate. I feel a bit like it was stolen from me at the last moment."

But Begum is not bitter or angry with Judd, knowing that ultimately it was the right thing for him to do.

"I'm not angry, just gutted. I know that if I was coaching someone I would've done the same thing," she added.

"You don't want to risk injury. I've got to move on and hope I will get another shot. I am confident that I can beat anyone now.

"We're going to challenge La Notte to a rematch. It might be in Italy, I don't know, but we'll have to put a lot of money on the table, otherwise she won't want to fight me again.

"Even Muhammad Ali lost his first title fight. I hope by the end of the year I will get another shot.

Back in training and with the world championships coming up in Thailand in September, Ruqsana is hoping to secure another title shot before then, whether that be with La Notte or someone else.

One potential opponent could be Denise Mellor, a Bournemouth fighter, and body builder, who currently holds the WBC title – she was beaten by La Notte in January.

Sport in brief

Brothers share four medal haul

TWO fighting brothers from Tower Hamlets returned home from the world karate championships in Turkey with an impressive haul of four medals.

The **Veras brothers,** Luan and Liam were competing in the World Shotokan karate championships in in Istanbul.

Competing against opponents from Azerbaijan, Turkey, Tunisia and Russia, the brothers did the borough proud with excellent performances.

Luan, 8, won silver and bronze medals in the kumite category, while younger brother Liam, 6, won two bronzes in the fight category.

They both displayed a high level of maturity in what was their first taste at this level of competition and they were the only English competitors to take part.

Luan, Liam and dad Raphael

Luan and Liam are trained by their father, Raphael, a Brazilian national who competes in the same sport for England and is a professional coach at the Veras Academy based at Trussler Hall in Poplar.

For more information on the Veras Academy visit **www.verasacademy.co.uk**

Repton nine are on the title trail

TEN Tower Hamlets boxers progressed into the next round of the junior ABA championships with impressive performances at Newham's SportsDock at the weekend.

Nine of those fighters came from Bethnal Green's **Repton Boxing club,** the most impressive performer being three-time National schoolboy champion **Jimmy Smith** who had to win two fights before taking the crown.

Fighting in the Class A 63kg category, Smith first beat Redbridge's Shahil Umar before overcoming tough Fairbairn fighter Laiq Khan to move into the London finals at Feltham on April 28 where he is looking a good bet for a capital crown.

Lansbury's Tony Buttigieg expertly outscored local rival Billy Joe Foster from West Ham to book a place for the Poplar club in the final.

Repton's **Sunny Edwards**, **Harvey Horne**, **Reggie Thrower** and **James Branch** were all given byes, while **Andreas Wallace** and **Callum Eade** went out.

Repton's other winners were **Myley Doran**, **Alfie Smith**, **Billy Beer** – another former schoolboys champion – **Jordan Flynn** and **Joe Keller**.

Mohibur shows his class with sticks

LOCAL martial artist **Mohibur Rahman Shamim** has become the British Kali Eskrima champion after winning a tournament in Bristol.

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Jamie quits

Millwall Rugby Club's Jamie Rockman ended his career with a win.

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Mayor's Cup is a big success

The annual Mayor's Cup football tournament, now in its third year, proved a big success once more at Mile End Stadium, with more than 2,000 fans cheering on the teams.

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NEWS FROM TOWER HAMLETS COUNCIL AND YOUR COMMUNITY

Title heartbreak for Ruqsana

Ruqsana Begum lost her world title fight after her trainer threw in the towel

BY TOM SHEEN

RUQSANA Begum's bid for a muay Thai world title ended in heartache last week... even though she was ahead on points.

The judges had her in front after four rounds against ISKA champion Silvia La Notte of Italy in Birmingham.

But Ruqsana took a shot to the head in the fourth and trainer Bill Judd threw the towel in thinking she was badly hurt.

Begum, who fights out of Bethnal Green's KO Gym and is a science technician at Swanlea School, was confident that she would have gone on to win the title.

But just a week on from the sad death of former Repton boxer Michael Norgrove, she said the actions of her trainer were understandable.

That doesn't mean the loss was any easier to take for the 29-year-old.

"The first four rounds I was winning on points and she was just running around," Begum told East End Life.

"I was catching her with every shot, I knew how to close her down, we had the strategy right, everything was going perfectly."

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McNess is aiming high

Boxing

REPTON boxing club's Sam McNess was due to travel to Sunderland as East End Life went to press in a bid to win the ABA title.

McNess is scheduled to face the Army's Jeff Saunders in the final of the welterweight division.

Victory for Mcness will make him a very strong contender to be called into the GB squad.

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